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J. R. M. SMITH,
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Hongkong, 12th January, 1907. [21

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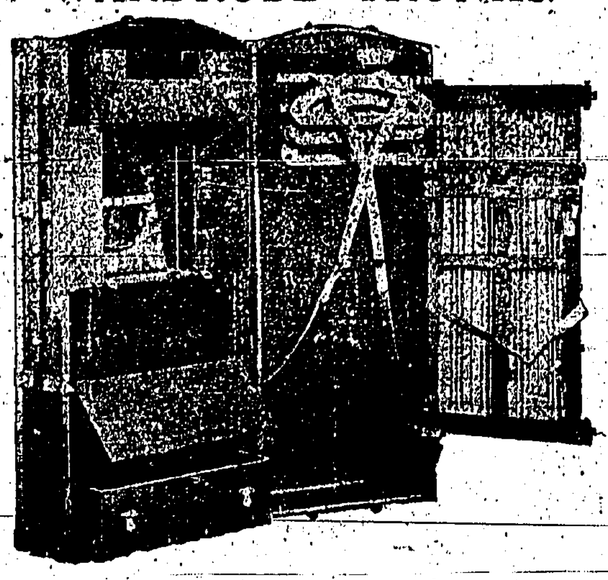

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SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	"KLEIST" Capt. Rud Meyer	About THURSDAY, 25th February.
KUDAT and SANDAKAN	"BORNEO." Capt. F. Semblill	Beginning of March

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Hongkong, 15th February, 1909. [5

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Hongkong, 16th February, 1909. [9

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Hongkong, 9th October, 1908. [14

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Hongkong 6th March, 1908. [13

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1.45 p.m. to 2.15 p.m. ...Every 10 minutes.
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Hongkong, 4th June, 1907. [61

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RACE NUMBER

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(Tom Swaby's Magazine).

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Hongkong, 10th February, 1909. [163

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Hongkong, 2nd February, 1909. [138

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Hongkong, 3rd September, 1907. 43

LINER ON FIRE.

PASSENGERS DANCE OVER THE BURNING HOLD.

The s.s. *Paparoa*, one of the New Zealand Shipping Company's liners, has just arrived at the Victoria Docks with a cargo of "Welsh rarebit"—as one of the crew described it.

On the voyage home the cargo in No. 3 hold caught fire, and burned for nearly a fortnight. That hold was full of butter and cheese, and the damage done, though it is not yet estimated, is probably as much as £30,000. The steamer is not damaged structurally, though, of course, the cold storage insulation is destroyed.

Yesterday (Jan. 12th) in the docks the "bouquet" of the burnt cargo, got out of the hold largely with pickaxe and shovel, was recognisable at a mile. The butter came out in masses of dirty yellow grease stuck full of pieces of charred wooden boxes. It didn't look at all valuable; yet underwriters have learned to dread the least fire on these big Australasian steamers with their refrigerating chambers, for the dairy produce of New Zealand is first-rate in quality, a very little heat does an immense amount of damage, and these fine vessels carry enough to feed a city.

OVER BURNING HOLD.

Some smoke from the ventilators betrayed the fire, shortly after leaving Monte Video. It burned and increased on the whole diagonal passage of the Atlantic, notwithstanding the ceaseless efforts of the crew to get it under. Capt. Clifford's position was a trying one, for he carried a number of passengers. But he gave orders that the staff was to make no fuss about the fire; and that nothing should be done that would give the passengers the impression that anything serious was the matter. He ordered that the programme of amusements should be carried out as usual, and himself showed the bright example by dancing at a ball held in the saloon—under which the fire was burning.

A FRIDAY BOAT.

Fortunately, these vessels are well-found, and the *Paparoa* carried, amongst other gear for combating fire, a number of smoke-helmets, and by using these the crew were able to locate the outbreak. Eventually it was subdued, though the captain put back to St. Vincent to make quite sure, by examination in port, that there would be no danger in proceeding.

One of the crew half-seriously described the ship as being a Friday boat this voyage. She sailed on a Friday, left Wellington for home on a Friday, arrived at Monte Video on a Friday, discovered the fire on a Friday, put back on a Friday, and arrived at Plymouth on a Friday.

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This Sale will include PIECE EMBROIDERIES, TRIMMINGS, SUNSHADES, RIBBONS, &c.

TERMS:—Cash on delivery.

On View from Thursday, the 18th February, 1909.

GEO. P. LAMMERT, Auctioneer.

Hongkong, 15th February, 1909 [185

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THE Undersigned will hold their Annual Sale of Race Ponies by Public Roup as under:—

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Hongkong, 15th February, 1909. [186

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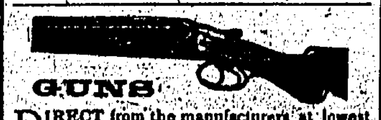

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WEATHER FORECAST AND STORM WARNINGS ISSUED FROM THE HONGKONG OBSERVATORY.

METEOROLOGICAL SIGNALS.

Meteorological signals are hoisted on the mast in front of the Water Police Station at Tsim Sha Tsui for the information of masters of vessels leaving the port. They do not necessarily imply that bad weather is expected here:—

Signal No.		
1.	A CONE point upwards	indicates a Typhoon to the North of the Colony.
2.	A CONE point upwards and DRUM below	indicates a Typhoon to the North-East of the Colony.
3.	A DRUM	indicates a Typhoon to the East of the Colony.
4.	A CONE point downwards and DRUM below	indicates a Typhoon to the South-East of the Colony.
5.	A CONE point downwards	indicates a Typhoon to the South of the Colony.
6.	A CONE point downwards and BALL below	indicates a Typhoon to the South-West of the Colony.
7.	A BALL	indicates a Typhoon to the West of the Colony.
8.	A CONE point upwards and BALL below	indicates a Typhoon to the North-West of the Colony.

Red Signals indicate that the centre is believed to be more than 300 miles away from the Colony.

Black Signal indicate that the centre is believed to be less than 300 miles away from the Colony.

The above signals will, as heretofore, be hoisted only when typhoons exist in such positions or are moving in such directions that information regarding them is considered to be of importance to the Colony or to shipping leaving the harbour.

These signals are repeated at the Harbour Office, H.M.S. *Tamar*, Green Island Signal-Mast, and the Flagstaff on the premises of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company at Kowloon.

URGENT SIGNAL.

In addition to the above, when it is expected that the wind may increase to full typhoon force at any moment, the following Urgent Signal will be made at the Water Police Station, and repeated at the Harbour Office:—

THREE EXPLOSIVE BOMBS, AT INTERVALS OF TEN SECONDS.

A Black Cross will be hoisted at the same time, superior to the other shapes.

NIGHT SIGNALS.

The following Night Signals will be exhibited from the Flagstaff on the roof of the Water Police Station at Kowloon, the Harbour Office Flagstaff, and H.M.S. *Tamar*.

I. Three Lights Vertical, Green Green Green, indicates that a typhoon is believed to be situated more than 300 miles from the Colony.

II. Three Lights Vertical, Green Red Green, indicates that a typhoon is believed to be situated less than 300 miles from the Colony.

III. Three Lights Vertical, Red Green Red, indicates that the wind may be expected to increase to full typhoon force at any moment.

No. III. Signal will be accompanied by the Explosive Bombs, as above, in the event of the information conveyed by this signal being first published by night.

These Night Signals will be substituted for the Day Signals at sunset, and will, when necessary, be altered during the night.

SUPPLEMENTARY WARNINGS.

For the benefit of Native Craft and passing Ocean Vessels, a Cone will be exhibited at each of the following stations during the time that any of the above Day Signals are hoisted in the Harbour.

Gap Rock.	Aberdeen.
Waglan.	Sau Ki Wan.
Stanley.	Sai Kung.
Cape Collinson.	Sha Tau Kok.
	Tai Po.

This will indicate that there is a depression somewhere in the China Sea, and that a Storm Warning is hoisted in the Harbour.

Further details can always be given to Ocean Vessels, on demand, by signal, from the lighthouses.

F. G. FIGG, Director.

26th Oct. 1906.

A SHADOWLAND OPIUM CONFERENCE.

"O magna vis veritatis!" Cicero.
"We tell the Truth in Shadowland."—Anon.

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Minutes of a meeting held at the Celebrities' Club Spookion, Shadowland, on the evening of February 2nd, 1909.

[It should be explained that for nearly a month the Celebrities had been otherwise engaged, and no meeting had been held dealing with the opium question. Indeed, the Club was too busy sifting the claims of candidates for admission to its membership. And here, we think, it cannot fail to be of interest, if we record the fact that qualifications for election in Shadowland differ greatly from those obtaining with us. Here it is sufficient for a man to *be* something: there he must have *done* something, and the one point for the Ballotting Committee to decide is whether his deeds deserve the honour of election.

The election over, however, the revelations of the Opium Conference—which was not a Commission—were resumed with much interest. Ed.]

There were present at the meeting besides speakers, Mr. John Delane, sometime Editor of *The Times*; Mr. de Blowitz, his Paris Correspondent; Sir John Bowring, at one time British Plenipotentiary and Governor of Hongkong; Mr. W. G. Hunter, a well-known resident of old Canton; Mr. H. N. Lay, one of the first Commissioners of Customs, and afterwards I. G.; and Adam Smith, first and greatest of Political Economists. The Chair was taken by Lord Shaftesbury.

M. de Blowitz—(entering hurriedly.) Here you are, gentlemen; the latest psychogram from Shanghai. Listen!

(Members crowd round while the precious information is read out).

"At the meeting of the Opium Commission in Shanghai to-day, an American Bishop, Dr. Brent, was unanimously elected to the chair. He delivered an impressive address, in the course of which he characterized the stage through which the anti-opium agitation had already passed as the Emotional Stage. It was, he said, "based largely upon sentiment and ideals that are concerned in the inner self, sometimes *more independent of facts* than is warranted." (The reading caused a profound sensation).

Delane (to Blowitz). How did you get that through so soon, de Blowitz?

De Blowitz—That was easy, I have friends in the Shanghai Psychical Society.

Duke of Wellington (to Lord Shaftesbury,)—"More independent—of facts—than—is warranted?" Pretty plain speaking that, though I could make it still plainer, and yet be true to our boast that "We tell the Truth in Shadowland."

Lord Shaftesbury—Personally, I welcome it, though it must necessarily be a terrible jar to many of my old acquaintances.

Lord Palmerston—It is certainly very pointed but not a whit more so than was needed. The unctuous self-righteousness which is unable, or unwilling, to appreciate plain fact needed a rebuke which could not have come more appropriately or with greater force than from the lips of its own elect.

This evening we are to look into another of the misrepresentations of the "Emotional Stage"—the financial. It will be remembered that one of the main grounds for the crusade against opium was the statement that by reason of opium China was being depleted of her silver.

H. E. Lin—We declared that our stock of silver was decreasing to the tune of some ten millions of taels per annum. It is quite true that we had no statistics whatever to prove it, but ten millions was a nice round number. We named it and stuck to it.

Lord Shaftesbury—And we having adopted it from you, and being convinced of your perfect integrity, also stuck to it. Was there *any* truth in it?

Sir John Bowring—Oh! yes, undoubtedly there was. You see it was like this:—India supplied opium to China and took scarcely any goods in return. There were no banks to adjust matters, and so the trade was done on a cash basis. But when making their statement respecting the nebulous ten millions, our Chinese friends said nothing whatever about the very solid millions coming in.

H.E. Lin—Of course not.

Sir John Bowring—Yet everybody, except the Society whose information was "based largely upon sentiment and ideals," knew that that all the nations doing business with China were constantly sending silver to pay for the tea, silk, and other articles they bought, since China took little else in the way of exchange.

Mr. W. C. Hunter—The ship I came out in brought 350,000 Spanish dollars in kegs. That was in 1824, and the quantity steadily grew afterwards.

Sir John Bowring—It did. I got out some returns later on, showing that the P. & O. ships alone brought in over twenty-eight millions of dollars a year.

H. E. Lin—Gentlemen, there is no doubt whatever that your remarks on this matter are as true as they are pointed. To add my quota to their force, let me tell you, as a fact of which at least some of you were ignorant at the time, that we had a rule by which we permitted 30% of our imported foreign silver to be re-exported. Our native silver was never touched at all.

Mr. Gladstone—As an old Chancellor of the Exchequer, I should like to ask whether any of you can quote us some up-to-date opinion on this vexed question.

Mr. H. N. Lay—As an original I.G., it has always been my aim to keep myself as well posted as I possibly can with regard to matters Celestial. Consequently, my correspondents tell me all *they* can, and I hear that Morse says—

Chorus of Voices—Order. Order. Who's Morse?

Mr Lay—Gentlemen of the Illuminati, I crave your indulgence. Morse is yet amongst the Opaque of the Terra Obscura. But he is already one of ourselves in his regard for Truth. He is a very able, well-informed American.

But permit me to quote, and you will see the point of my remarks. This is what Mr. Morse says, "The drain of silver is not proved by facts. . . . From the English, American, Dutch, Portuguese, and other trade there poured in a stream of silver in the shape of Spanish dollars which to this day (1908) are current in Anhui. . . . the movement of silver was inward, not outward."

Adam Smith.—That apparently is conclusive. But as an old economist, I should like to put one question to H. E. Lin. Did the reported drain of silver from China cause increased activity in her silver mining?

H. E. Lin.—It did not. Our mineral riches remained as they always had done, in charge of the dragon who watched them, practically unworked.

Adam Smith.—Thank you. I need ask no more.—*N. C. D. News.*

Public Companies.

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE is hereby given that the ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS in this Corporation will be held at the City Hall, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 20th day of February, 1909, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Court of Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1908.

By Order of the Court of Directors,
J. R. M. SMITH,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 5th February, 1909. [157

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE is hereby given that the REGISTER OF SHARES of the Corporation will be CLOSED from TUESDAY, the 9th instant, to SATURDAY, the 20th instant, (both days inclusive), during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Court of Directors,
J. R. M. SMITH,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 5th February, 1909 [147

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held in the Offices of the Company, Queen's-Buildings, New Praya, on MONDAY, the 22nd February, 1909, at 12 o'clock noon, for the purpose of receiving the report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1908.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 8th to the 22nd February, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
THOS. I. ROSE,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 27th January, 1909. [123

HONGKONG ROPE MANUFACTURING CO., LD.

THE 25TH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICE, St George's Building, 6, Connaught Road, Victoria, on SATURDAY, 27th February, 1909, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the General Manager for the year ending 31st December, 1908, and electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from THURSDAY, the 23rd of February, to SATURDAY, the 27th February, both days inclusive.

SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 12th February, 1909. [179

HONGKONG ICE COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE TWENTY-EIGHTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Offices of the General Managers, at 12.30 P.M. on SATURDAY, 27th instant, to receive a statement of the Company's Accounts to 31st December, 1908, and the Report of the General Managers.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 17th instant to the 27th instant, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., LD.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 13th February, 1909. [182

NOTICE

THE HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRAORDINARY MEETING of the abovementioned Company will be held at its Registered Office, Nos. 9 to 17 Pedder Street, Victoria, Hongkong, on FRIDAY, the 26th day of February, 1909, at 12.30 P.M. for the purpose of considering and if thought fit passing the following Resolutions:—

1. "That the capital of the Company be increased to $1,000,000 by the creation of 8,000 additional shares of $50 each ranking for dividend and in all other respects pari passu with the existing shares in the Company."
2. "That the said 8,000 additional shares be offered in the first instance at par to all members of the Company registered as shareholders on the First day of March 1909 in the proportion of two new shares for every three original shares held by them and upon the footing that fifty per cent of the full amount of each new share taken up shall be paid to the Company on acceptance of the offer and that such offer be made by notice specifying the number of shares to which the member is entitled and limiting a time within which the offer if not accepted by payment will be deemed to be declined and that the directors be empowered to dispose of the shares not taken in *response to such offer* as they consider expedient in the interests of the Company."

By Order of the Board of Directors,
C. MOONEY,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 13th February, 1909. [181

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE CO., LIMITED.

THE FORTIETH MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Company's Offices, No. 3, Queen's Road Central, Victoria, on THURSDAY, the 4th March, 1909, at 12 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of Receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the year ending 31st December, 1908.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 19th February to 4th March, both days inclusive.

By Order,
C. PEMBERTON,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 13th February, 1909. [180

Intimations.

THE WORRIED WOMEN.

They say men must work and women must weep; but alas, in this too busy world women often have to work and weep at the same time. Their holidays are too few and their work heavy and monotonous. It makes them nervous and irritable. The depressed and worried woman loses her appetite and grows thin and feeble. Once in a while she has spells of palpitation and has to lie up for a day or two. If some disease like influenza or malarial fever happens to prevail she is almost certain to have an attack of it, and that often paves the way for chronic troubles of the throat, lungs and other organs; and there is no saying what the end may be. Let the tired and overladen woman rest as much as possible; and, above all, place at her command a bottle of

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THE TRADE MARKS ORDINANCE, 1898.

APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION OF TRADE MARK.

NOTICE is hereby given that Messrs. SANDER WIELER AND COMPANY, carrying on business at Victoria in the Colony of Hongkong, and elsewhere as merchants, have, on the 25th day of November, 1908, applied for the Registration, in Hongkong, in the Register of Trade Marks, of the following Trade Mark:—

The representation of two ducks on a river, of Chinese landscape with a Pagoda on both sides and of some mountains in the back ground;

in the name of Messrs. SANDER WIELER AND COMPANY, who claim to be the proprietors thereof.

The Trade Mark is intended to be used by the Applicants, forthwith, in respect of the following goods:—

SILK GOODS (not included in classes 30 & 31) IN CLASS 32.

A facsimile of the Trade Mark can be seen at the Office of the Colonial Secretary of Hongkong, and also at the Office of the undersigned.

Dated the 15th day of December, 1908.

JOHNSON, STOKES & MASTER,
Solicitors for the Applicants,
8, Des Vœux Road Central,
Hongkong.

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THE IMPERIAL COLONIAL CLUB.

THE above Club is formed chiefly for COLONIAL and OVER-SEAS MEMBERS; it is situated at No. 84, Piccadilly (the centre of Clubland), opposite the Green Park.

The Club has a Bridge Section, Reception, Dining, Billiard Room, Smoking Lounge, Reading Room and Library.

Ladies are eligible as Members.

Entrance Fee, Five Guineas, Annual Subscription, Five Guineas.

Further particulars from

THE ORGANISING SECRETARY,
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London, 19th August, 1908. [766

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HAVING been appointed AGENTS for the above Company, we shall be pleased to give any information as to rates o passage, &c., in connection with above.

SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.
Agents.

Hongkong, 21st July, 1908. [95

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Hongkong, 3rd February, 1909. [141

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A HOUSE in KNUTSFORD TERRACE, Kowloon.

Apply to—

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Hongkong, 11th February, 1909. [16

TO LET.

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Hongkong, 3rd February, 1909. [143

TO LET.

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A HOUSE in WONG-NEI-CHONG ROAD.

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OFFICES in YORK BUILDING.

GODOWNS in PRAYA EAST, BLUE BUILDINGS, and No. 168, DES VŒUX ROAD next to the Hongkong Hotel.

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Hongkong, 1st January, 1909 [5

TO LET.

GOOD OFFICES at 2, PEDDER STREET.

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JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., LTD

Hongkong, 14th January, 1909. [90

TO LET.

GODOWN, No. 5A, DUDDELL STREET.

Apply to—

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Hongkong, 1st January, 1909 [52

COLD STORAGE.

THE HONGKONG ICE COMPANY, LTD., have now 40,000 Cubic feet of COLD STORAGE available at EAST POINT. Stores will be Open at 10 A.M. and 4 P.M. daily, Sunday excepted, to receive and deliver perishable goods.

G. R. HAXTON,
Manager.

Hongkong, 6th January, 1909. [40

Intimations.

HARBOUR MASTER'S DEPARTMENT.

No. 99.

IT is hereby notified that information has been received from the Military Authorities that GUN PRACTICE will be carried out as under:—

On TUESDAY, the 23rd February:—

From Western F.C., Belchers and Stonecutters in a South-Westerly to Westerly direction, at ranges up to 10,000 yards, commencing at 10.30 A.M., and finishing at 2 P.M.

From Stonecutters in a Westerly direction, at ranges up to 6,000 yards, commencing at 3 P.M., and finishing at 5 P.M.

On THURSDAY, the 25th February:—

From Lyemun F.C. in a South-Easterly direction, at ranges up to 14,000 yards, commencing at 11 A.M., and finishing at 10 P.M.

If the weather is unfavourable on any of the above dates, practice will take place on the following day.

All ships, junks and other vessels are to keep clear of the ranges.

BASIL TAYLOR,
Commander, R.N.,
Harbour Master, &c.

Hongkong, 12th February, 1909. [183

BIRTHS.

On February 5, 1909, at Copenhagen, to Mr. and Mrs. P. N. FORUM, a son.

On February 6, 1909, at Shanghai, to Mr. and Mrs. A. M. CHAPELAIN, a daughter.

On February 6, 1909, at Shanghai, to Mr. and Mrs. JNO. C. d'AQUINO, a daughter.

MARRIAGE.

On February 9, 1909, at Shanghai, CHARLES AMNER, of Ipswich, to ALICE PENNEY, of Bury St. Edmunds, Suffolk, England.

DEATHS.

On February 6, 1909, at Exeter, HERO INEZ SMEDLEY, aged 21, (by telegraph).

On February 8, 1909, at Shanghai, ROBERT RONNENKAMP, the dearly beloved Baby of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Mackenzie, aged 13 months.

On February 10, 1909, at Shanghai, the beloved twin boy of Mr. and Mrs. REIHER, aged 5 months.

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 1909.

ON OPIUM.

Some exceedingly trenchant, not to say sarcastic, home-thrusts anent the opium trade and the Commission at Shanghai appear in the latest issue of the *Straits Times*. The reference is primarily concerned with the Colombo Opium Bill, which, it seems, has been withdrawn pending the report of the Shanghai Commission. Humorously our contemporary remarks that it does not know why any bill should be introduced or dropped because of the proceedings which are taking place at Shanghai. But, from some of the remarks which have been made on the meeting, it would appear that a certain number of people are still under the delusion that the delegates of the various countries have assembled for the purpose of holding an impartial inquiry into the cultivation, the commerce, and the consumption of opium. That is most certainly not the case. Anyone who takes the trouble to cast an eye over the form of invitation issued by the United States, will find that the iniquity of opium using was taken for granted, and all that those participating were asked to consider was how to put an end to it. We have not seen an authentic text of the instructions given to Sir Clementi-Smith and his colleagues on behalf of the British Government, and some of the recent actions of that Government quite prepare us to find that it may be as careless of British interests as if they had been drafted at Peking. On the other hand, we find some difficulty in believing that the senior British delegate would have taken a voyage to the Far East merely to say ditto to a number of persons who have never looked at more than one side of the question, and who must be densely ignorant in regard to many of its most important features. In regard to Colombo, and, indeed, to all places where the majority of the population are non-Chinese, we can fully appreciate the expediency of having a restrictive system of the most drastic description. It was no part of the duty of our local Commission to inquire into the effects which the use of opium has on Europeans or Indians comparatively with its effect upon Chinese, but there is a far greater tendency among both to go to excess in the use of any stimulant or narcotic than there is among the markedly phlegmatic and frugal Chinese. For that reason we have not a word to say against the bill passed the other day by the American Senate forbidding the importation of opium except for medicinal purposes. As far as the Chinese who have been accustomed to it are concerned, smugglers and down-at-heel doctors will supply all their reasonable needs, and there is no harm in keeping it as far away from other people as possible. In China itself, either inside or outside spheres of British administration, the position is entirely different. There we have to deal with a settled habit of thousands of the people, and not one which can be regarded as a wholly useless indulgence. Even Bishop Oldham was convinced by the evidence he heard in the course of the Straits Commission inquiry that a great many of the Chinese consider opium necessary to the preservation of their health, and it is quite certain, whether the belief be well-founded or not, that there must be overwhelming justification for interfering with personal liberty in such circumstances. With anything that China may do in the way of restricting personal liberty we have no concern. She is entitled to impose the death penalty upon opium smokers if she thinks fit, but she is not entitled, under the treaties she has made, to call upon Englishmen to sacrifice all their opium trade unless she gives conclusive proofs that in the first instance she will take effective steps to stamp out cultivation of the poppy in her own territories. The Shanghai conference seems to have met in something of a mutual admiration society spirit. China, with, we know not, how much tongue in her cheek, says she has resolved to eradicate this evil, and all the countries which do not grow opium or conduct any trade in it worth speaking of praise her resolution and give assurances (which will cost them nothing) of ready assistance. England with a huge revenue in India at stake and with the incomes of two or three great colonies in danger of being wiped out, is divided between a desire to look as pious as her neighbours, and to preserve her reputation for financial sanity. We fear, however, that the false step was taken when a promise was given to reduce Indian production and export of opium in 1906. The wiser course at that date would have been to inform the Chinese Government that we would not stand in the way of her desire to introduce a reform, and that on receiving independent evidence that cultivation of the poppy was being stopped in China we would undertake to stop it in our own possessions to a proportionate extent. That would have been a far more effective way of helping the reform than the ten-year system of reduction actually adopted. In the one case there would have been a clear inducement to China to see that reduction did actually take place. In the other we are blindly assisting to create for the Chinese a most valuable monopoly, and if anyone supposes that they will cast it away a few years hence, all that need be said is that if they live long enough they will be convinced of their error. But whatever other countries may do, we protest emphatically against the representatives of Great Britain entering into any pledges such as the American Government suggested. This Colony has not been consulted directly or indirectly as to the conference at Shanghai, and it ought to be left perfectly free to deal with the opium question as it thinks proper, having regard to the moral and material interests of its people. How that can be done has been pointed out most ably by Mr. John Anderson and his colleagues of the Opium Commission. They would make indulgence more difficult, especially in the F.M.S. and prevent the abuses which may be possible under the present conditions, but they would not take away a privilege when there is nothing to show that it has been seriously abused. It remains to be seen how far the British delegates at Shanghai will be able to escape from the compromising position they have been placed in through their Government's desire to deal courteously with an American invitation.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE Prince Regent orders 30,000 men, who can read, to be selected from the eight Banner Corps, for the formation of the Imperial Guard Corps.

MESSRS. E. S. Kadoorie & Co. are in receipt of telegraphic advices from Shanghai, informing them that Langkats have declared a first interim dividend of Tls. 12½, for account 1909.

VICEROY Hsu Shih-ch'ang has memorialized the Throne for permission to establish Colonization Offices at Tientsin, Hankow, Newchwang and other places, to receive people who desire to settle in Manchuria.

THE *Hupeh Jih Po*, a Chinese daily in Hankow, has been sealed up by the Hankow sub-Prefect for drawing and publishing a cartoon, which the authorities allege was libellous to them, and the editor, Cheng Chiang-hao, has been arrested. The journal has addressed a telegram to the public sense of justice.

THE RACES.

STEWARDS:—His Excellency Sir F. J. D. Lugard, K.C.M.G., C.B., D.S.O.; His Excellency Vice-Admiral the Hon. Sir H. Lambton, K.C.B., K.C.V.O., A.D.C.; His Excellency Maj.-Genl. R. G. Broadwood, C.B.; Commodore H. Lyon, R.N.; The Hon. Sir Paul Chater, Kt., C.M.G.; The Hon. Mr. F. H. May, C.M.G.; The Hon. Mr. W. J. Gresson; Messrs. F. B. Deacon, G. Friesland, J. A. Jupp, J. C. Peter, C. H. Ross and H. P. White.

STEWARDS IN CHARGE OF THE SCALE:—Messrs. F. B. Deacon and G. Friesland.

HANDICAPPER:—Maj.-Gen. Broadwood and Mr. J. A. Jupp.

JUDGE:—The Hon. Sir Paul Chater, Kt., C.M.G.

ASSISTANT JUDGE:—Mr. C. H. Ross.

STARTER:—The Hon. Mr. F. H. May, C.M.G.

SECOND STARTER:—Mr. H. J. Gedge.

TIME KEEPER:—Mr. T. S. Forrest.

HON. TREASURER:—Mr. J. F. Cox-Edwards.

CLERK OF THE COURSE:—Mr. T. F. Hough.

The annual race meeting held under the auspices of the Hongkong Jockey Club was begun at the Race Course in the forenoon to-day. A dense fog hung over the Valley until shortly before the saddling bell, but before the starters for the first race entered the field the veil of mist had lifted and a bright warm sun shone over the green carpet, giving the scene around all the beauty and colour of a summer's day. The private stands both within and without the enclosure wore their usual gay aspect. From the stand of the sister Services near the entrance to the last owner's stand at the far eastern end of the paddock there was displayed a profusion of bunting and evergreen usually associated with the embellishments of the buildings within the Valley during our great race carnival. The Grand Stand, since the last meeting, has been altered out of recognition. The structural improvements carried out by the firm of architects, Messrs. Leigh & Orange, under the personal supervision of Mr. A. Bryer, have afforded increased accommodation for the thousands of visitors who watched the races from the Stand to-day. Alterations include the doing away with the old flight of steps and in place of it several long tiers of cement-rendered steps give the front of the Stand the appearance of a gallery on which the spectators obtained an excellent view at every stage of the racing. Under the roof, over which the familiar colours of the Jockey Club floated to the breeze, increased accommodation was also provided. Long rows of seats gave plenty of room for the ladies who availed themselves of the stand during short respites from promenading on the turf below.

The ladies, with their pretty dresses, came in greater numbers after tiffin, and during the afternoon the crowd was large and picturesque. Within the ring on the green thousands of natives watched the day's sport with keen interest. The private stands and the booths had their full complement of patrons. The Club Lusitano had its booth exclusively for its members.

The Band of the Buffs discoursed pleasing music throughout the day which went a long way to add enthusiasm to the large number of citizens who had gathered at Happy Valley to enjoy a day's entertainment under ideal circumstances both as to the atmospheric condition and the splendid racing provided by the numerous stables.

The Police, under Chief Inspector Baker, as usual, maintained excellent order, and the Tramway Company is to be congratulated upon the service of cars maintained throughout the day.

Mr. G. W. Gegg was the first jockey to be weighed out. There were sixteen ponies entered for the opening race of the day. It was a poor race after a wretched start; a protest entered against the starting was not sustained, and the race went to Backstay who, with Highland Laddie, had the benefit of a lead from the bunch on the fall of the flag.

The Governor arrived before the commencement of the second race. With His Excellency was Miss Henniker, attended by Capts. Taylor and Simson, A.D.C.'s to the Governor.

The Maiden Stakes was an easy win for Mr. Buxey's Little Gem Rose, Mr. Burkill riding. The jockey received an ovation after his win. Mr. Mody again carried off another race in the Victoria Stakes with Jubilee Rose who, with his stable companion, gave a good race for Seafoam, who finished third after a splendid contest for honours. Out of three races so far Buxey's stable secured two. Our "Reader" tipped two wins out of the first three races of the day. Mr. Buxey was successful for the third time in the day, and won another exciting race with a close finish with Little Dot Rose ridden by Burkill. After this race there was an adjournment for tiffin.

Foochow Cup was the race immediately after luncheon. Glorious Rose had the easiest of wins in this race. Starting with a considerable lead, he was never threatened. Burkill won hands down, making the fourth consecutive win for Mr. Buxey out of five races.

Inclusive of the sixth race of the day there were no surprises and when Missouri brought the "crimson, violet cap" home a winner in the Trial Plate, the victory went to the hottest favourite. Missouri is a fancied candidate for the blue ribbon to-morrow; his last quarter to-day did not seem to have raised him in the estimation of his patrons against the Little Gem Rose, a previous winner in the day. Barry won the Garrison Cup without any difficulty. The race for the Professional Cup was a very exciting one between Rêve d'Or Rose and Volga, the latter managing to wrest the honours from the Rose by only a neck. Strathdallas showed up poorly at this race, finishing fourth, thus giving poor promise to carry off the Derby to-morrow. It looks as if the race will go to Little Gem Rose. The tamest race of the day was the Hongkong Club Cup when Spring Rose and Coxcomb were the only two ponies that faced the starters. The win was a foregone conclusion for Spring Rose. The biggest field of the day—nineteen ponies—started for the last race, the Racing Stakes, and was won by Swan after a capital race. Mr. Toeg led the pony home after the race.

FIRST DAY.

1.—THE WONG-NEI-CHONG STAKES.—Value $300. Second to receive $100; and third $50. For China ponies, subscription griffins of this season 1908-1909. Weight for inches as per scale. Jockeys who have never had a winning mount in either Hongkong, Shanghai or Tientsin allowed 5lb. Entrance $10. Half a mile.

Mr. Moregold's Backstay, 11st 2lb ‡ ...(Vida) 1
Mr. D. Macdonald's Highland Laddie, 10st 12lb .....(Burkill) 2
Messrs. Toeg and Speelman's Gunduck, 11st 4lb (Hayes) 3
Messrs. R. R. Hynd and A. C. Hynes' Bagih Dua, 11st 1lb* .....(Gegg) 0
Mr. Seth's Little Nemo, 10st 12lb...(H. Seth) 0
Admiral Lambton's Horatio, 10st 4lb..... (G. C. Mackie) 0
Mr. Olympia's Hippomedon, 10st 12lb ..... (Schnorr) 0
Mr. E. B. Chichester's Jack Straw, 10st 13lb (Chichester) 0
Mr. Ottery's Tor, 10st 12lb.....(Jones) 0
Mr. Smith's Sandstone, 10st 10lb †...(Morris) 0
Mr. J. H. Lewis' Bystander, 11st 1lb ..... (Laurence) 0
Mr. Wheeley's Pip, 10st 13lb .....(Hansen) 0
Mr. Magpie's Sturdy, 11st 1lb .....(Dupree) 0
Mr. Elbee's Regret, 10st 13lb † ...(Hickman) 0
Mr. Christiani's Droschkengaul 10st 10lb†... (Pettersen) 0
Mr. H. Humphreys' Mummery, 10st 7lb †... (Humphreys) 0

* 3lb overweight.
† 5lb allowance.
‡ 1lb overweight.

The large field of sixteen ponies started for the first race. As in last year, Mr. Gegg was the first jockey to face the clerk of the scales. After a false start, the field was got away with three ponies at the starting post. From a very bad start, Highland Laddie led the field for several lengths with Backstay following and the fancied Gunduck third. The rest were all in a bunch with the exception of the three left at the post. At the village bend Highland Laddie maintained the lead which he had soon to surrender to Backstay who led all the way home and won easily from Highland Laddie who was second with Gunduck a good third. A protest was entered after the race against the start; but the officials ruled the result a race; the protest was not upheld.

Time: 1.00 1/5.
Winner: $18.30.
Cash Sweeps: 1st $340.20; 2nd $97.20; 3rd $48.60.
Pari-mutuel: 1st $6.70; 2nd $7.00; 3rd $6.40.

2.—THE MAIDEN STAKES—Value $500. Second to receive $150; and third $75. For China ponies, *bond fide* griffins on date of entry. Weight for inches as per scale. Subscription griffins of this season 1908-1909 allowed 7lb. Entrance $10. Three quarters of a mile.

Mr. Buxey's Little Gem Rose, 10st 12lbs ... (Burkill) 1
Mr. John Peel's Garth, 11st 4lb (Gresson) 2
Mr. G. O. Henriques' Grey Back 10st 8lb* (Henriques) 3
Mr. Olympia's Achilles, 11st 4lb...(Schnorr) 0
Messrs. Toeg and Speelman's Desird, 11st 4lb .....(Hayes) 0
Mr. Ellis Kadoorie's Waziri Chief, 11st 4lb (Vida) 0

* 11lb allowance.

Mr. Buxey's Derby pony started the favourite for the race and justified anticipations. After the fall of the flag when the sextette showed out of the bush Grey Back was in the front pursued by Little Gem Rose, and several lengths behind him followed Gresson's mount. Achilles brought up the rear. There was no change in the positions for the first furlong of the race. As soon as the field came down the hill Burkill called upon the Little Gem, and in less than no time the black pony shot up to the front. He held the premier position unchallenged and cantered home an easy winner by several lengths. The race for second place was a capital one, Garth securing it by a length from Grey Back who finished third. Waziri Chief finished last in the race.

Time: 1.31 2/5.
Winner: $5.70.
Cash Sweeps: 1st $568.50; 2nd $171.00; 3rd $85.50.
Pari-mutuel: 1st $5.50; 2nd $11.50; 3rd $23.60.

3.—THE VICTORIA STAKES.—Value $500. Second to receive $150; and third $75. For China ponies. Weight for inches as per scale. *Bond fide* griffins on date of entry allowed 5 lb. Subscription griffins of this season 1908-1909 allowed 10 lb. Entrance $10. One mile.

Mr. Buxey's Jubilee Rose, 10st 12lb..... (Burkill) 1
Mr. Buxey's York Rose, 10st 12lb...(Mackie) 2
Messrs. Findlay and Moir's Seafoam, 10st 12lb.....(Vida) 3
Major Eaton's Game Chick, 10st 12lb..... (Scarlett) 0
Mr. Darius' Rubber Tree, 11st 3lb*...(Gegg) 0
Messrs. Toeg and Speelman's Double Zero, 10st 7lb .....(Hayes) 0
Messrs. Toeg and Speelman's Pei-ho, 10st 12lb.....(Hickman) 0
Mr. Dryasdust's Earthquake, 10st 9lb..... (Dupree) 0
Mr. John Peel's Heraldic, 10st 12lb..... (Laurence) 0

* 2lb overweight.

There was one false start. Game Chick had the position on the rails and Double Zero on the outer course. To a capital start the field was let go. On passing the spectators' stand for the first round Game Chick was leading from Seafoam and Jubilee Rose, the favourite. At the back stretch the second and third ponies changed positions. When the Football Stand was reached Earthquake forged ahead and drew level with Rubber Tree. Heraldic was fourth and Seafoam fifth. There was a splendid race up the hill and Heraldic spurting made up lost ground. The Roses seemingly fell away and so did Seafoam; but when the village bend was negotiated, Burkill put on the spurt and racing gamely Jubilee Rose led and made the pacing hot. The stable companions had a splendid race in the home stretch; Seafoam was closed in in the bunch and made a bold bid to capture the leadership from the twins who could not be beaten. Jubilee won by a neck from York Rose with barely a length separating him from Seafoam, the third pony. Game Chick was a long way behind last.

Time: 2.06.
Winner: $7.50.
Cash Sweeps: 1st $755.45; 2nd $218.70; 3rd $109.35.
Pari-mutuel: 1st $6.20; 2nd $20.50; 3rd $8.20.

4.—THE VALLEY STAKES.—A sweepstakes of $10 each with $400 added. Winner to receive 70 per cent.; second 20 per cent.; and third 10 per cent. For China ponies. subscription griffins of this season 1908-1909. Weight for inches as per scale. Three quarters of a mile.

Mr. Buxey's Little Dot Rose, 11st 9lb..... (Burkill) 1
Mr. Dryasdust's Barry 10st 12lb ...(Dupree) 2
Mr. H. Humphreys' Sir Joseph, 11st 1lb ... (Hayes) 3
Mr. John Peel's Dunkerry 11st 4lb (Gresson) 0
Mr. Olympia's Heracles 11st. 4lb (Schnorr) 0
Mr. Ottery's Torridge 10st 12lb .....(Jones) 0
Mr. Douglas' Bluejacket II. 10st 13lb..... (Hansen) 0
Mr. H. Gibbon Moore's Lyemun 11st 1lb (Moore) 0
Mr. J. Armstrong's Kirton 11st 4lb...(Gegg) 0
Mr. Smith's Greystone, 11st 1lb (Morris) ... 0
Messrs. Findlay & Moir's Strathmill, 11st 1lb (Vida) 0
Mr. Wheeley's Pip, 11st 4lb (Mackie) ... 0
Mr. J. S. Sill's Gambler, 11st 1lb (Hickman) 0
Mr. Seth's Macscrew, 10st 12lb (Seth) 0
Capt. S. Barker's Shaun Aboo 11st 1lb, ... (Heathcote) 0

† 1lb overweight.

The start was behind the Craigengower bush. Macscrew (Mr. Seth up) led by several lengths when the field emerged from the green screen. Following him were Barry, Strathmill and Dunkerry; the rest were all in a bunch. Seth raced down for all Macscrew was worth; the pace was a fast one, but Barry was equal to it. Turning round the village into the straight Macscrew rapidly lost his lead to Barry who kept first for the next furlong, and was forced to surrender his leadership to Little Dot Rose, who displaced Barry in the home straight. Burkill rode splendidly and won an exciting race by just a neck. Sir Joseph was a good third.

Time: 1.34 3/5.
Winner: $13.40.
Cash Sweeps: 1st $837.90; 2nd $239.40; 3rd $110.70.
Pari-mutuel: 1st $6.60; 2nd 6.40; 3rd $11.10.

5.—THE FOOCHOW CUP.—Value $500. Second to receive $150; and third $75. For China Ponies. Weight for inches as per scale. Ponies who have run at any previous meeting and not won a race and Griffins allowed 5 lbs. Subscription Griffins of this Season 1908-1909 allowed 10 lb. Jockeys who have never had a winning mount in either Hongkong, Shanghai or Tientsin allowed 5 lb. Entrance $10. Two miles.

Mr. Buxey's Glorious Rose, 11st 1lb (Burkill) 1
Messrs. Findlay & Moir's Giesler, 10st 9lb (Vida) 2
Messrs. Toeg & Speelman's Sutlej, 11st 4lb (Hayes) 3
Mr. John Peel's Vine, 10st 12lb (Gresson) 0

This race was a certainty for Glorious Rose, none of his opponents showing anything like the form of the unbeaten winner of the Champions two years ago. Before the flag dropped the positions were—Vine on the rails, Glorious Rose on his left with Giesler next and Sutlej on the nullah side of the course. Glorious Rose assumed the lead as soon as the flag dropped. Giesler was not far behind. Vine and Sutlej kept company at the rear. The first round past the Stand saw Rose in the first place; several lengths separated the trio who were in the following order:—Giesler, Vine and Sutlej. The procession was unchanged when passing the Football Stand. At the Black Rock, Glorious Rose still maintained his lead by a wide distance from Vine, the second pony, who was in company with Giesler, Sutlej was fourth. The second round past the Stand saw Rose still in the premier position, unchallenged by Giesler, second, Vine third, and Sutlej fourth. Vine fell away completely at the Football Stand, and was hopelessly out of the race at the bottom of the hill. Glorious Rose ran home as he liked and won an easy race from Giesler who, though trying hard, was nowhere near the winner whom he failed to displace. Sutlej was a poor third past the winning post.

Time: 3.23 1/5.
Winner: $11.50.
Cash Sweeps: 1st $1,367.10; 2nd $390.60; 3rd $195.30.
Pari-mutuel: 1st $6.50; 2nd $9.20.

6.—THE TRIAL PLATE.—Value $500. Second to receive $150; and Third $75. For China Ponies, *bond fide* Griffins on date of entry. Weight for inches as per scale. Subscription Griffins of this Season, 1908-1909 allowed 7 lb. extra. Winner of the Maiden Stakes 7 lb extra. Jockeys who have never had a winning mount in either Hongkong, Shanghai or Tientsin allowed 5 lb. Entrance $10. From the Two Mile Post Once Round and in.

Messrs. Toeg and Speelman's Missouri 11st 4lb .....(Hayes) 1
Mr. Buxey's Snowflake Rose, 11st 1lb ..... (Burkill) 2
Mr. John Peel's Cattistock, 11st 3lb ..... (Gresson) 3
Mr. Brutton's Compton, 10st 10lb* (Pettersen) 0
Mr. Olympia's Apollo, 10st 9lb ...(Schnorr) 0
Mr. H. J. Gedge's Fugitive II., 11st 3lb † ... (Gegg) 0

* 5lb allowance.
† 2lb overweight.

The start was an excellent one. Compton proved restive and raced outside the course. When the gate was reached he seemed to make for the paddock, but with rein and whip Pettersen managed to steer him straight on. His chances in the race were, however, altogether lost. The blue and silver showed to the front when the Stand was passed; close on his heels were Fugitive II. and Missouri. At the next lap in the race the second and third ponies made a change of positions, with Snowflake Rose fourth. Before the village was reached, Snowflake Rose worked into third place. By this time Missouri had got into first place. A fine race ensued at this stage and into the home stretch. Missouri was momentarily threatened by Snowflake Rose, but the former proved the better pony of the two and won after a hard-fought struggle by half a length. Cattistock was third. Fugitive II. was fourth.

Time: 2.21.
Winner: $6.70.
Cash Sweeps: 1st $1,552.95; 2nd $445.70; 3rd $221.85.
Pari-mutuel: 1st $5.00; 2nd $5.40; 3rd $8.50.

7.—THE GARRISON CUP.—Presented by the Officers of the Garrison. Second to receive $150; and Third $75. For China Ponies, Subscription Griffins of any Season and ponies entered in the Hongkong Griffins Stakes and Tientsin Stakes 1908 Meeting. Weight for inches as per scale. Winners at previous Meetings of one Race 7 lb.; of more than once 14 lb.; at this Meeting 3 lb. extra. Penalties accumulative. Jockeys who have never had a winning mount in either Hongkong, Shanghai or Tientsin allowed 3 lb. Entrance $10. One mile.

Mr. Dryasdust's Barry, 10st 12lb...(Dupree) 1
Lieut. Leeson's Soudan, 11st 8lb.....(Gegg) 2
Mr. Ottery's Tamar, 10st 12lb.....(Jones) 3
Mr. Olympia's Poseidon, 11st 5lb † ..... (Schnorr) 0
Mr. J. Armstrong's Kirton, 10st 13lb* ..... (Mackie) 0
Mr. H. Humphreys' Resignation 10st 10lb* (Humphreys) 0
Mr. Ottery's Abstainer, 10st 12lb.....(Vida) 0
Hon. P. G. Scarlett's White Knight, 10st 8lb*† .....(Hickman) 0
Mr. Ellis Kadoorie's Bohemian Chief, 12st 1lb .....(Hayes) 0

* 5lb allowance.
† 7lb penalty.
‡ 1lb overweight.

The big field gave no trouble to the starters. The ponies got away level with one another, Tamar led the field on passing the stand followed by Soudan and Barry; the last named was the favourite. Poseidon then crept up and took third place from Barry when negotiating the incline to the Rock. Taking no chances Barry soon worked his way up and overtook the leading ponies at the far end of the course, entering the straight home leading from Tamar, all the rest were in a bunch. Barry stuck to his position on the rails and won without difficulty. Soudan was second and Tamar third.

Time: 2.07 3/5.
Winner: $18.00.
Cash Sweeps: 1st $1,559.75; 2nd $445.50; 3rd $122.75.
Pari-mutuel: 1st $7.90; 2nd $11.80; 3rd $19.50.

8.—THE PROFESSIONAL CUP.—Value £50. Presented. Second to receive $150; and third $75. For griffins on date of entry and ponies that have never won a race. Subscription griffins of this season 1908-1909 allowed 5 lb. Weight for inches as per scale. Winners barred. Jockeys who have a winning mount in either Hongkong, Shanghai or Tientsin allowed 5 lb. Entrance $10. One mile.

Messrs. Toeg & Speelman's Volga, 10st 12lb (Hayes) 1
Mr. Buxey's Reve d'Or Rose, 10st 9lb... ... (Burkill) 2
Mr. Ottery's Plym, 11st 4lb .....(Jones) 3
Mr. John Peel's Fernie, 10st 12lb (Gresson) 0
Messrs. Findlay & Moir's Strathdallas ..... 11st 4lb .....(Vida) 0
Commodore H. Lyon's Faiz Ullah 10st 7lb *(Lyon) 0
Mr. T. F. Hough's Sidier Dhu 10st 10lb ... *(Mackie) 0

*5lb allowance.

Plym secured the position of advantage on the rails, while Sidier Dhu was far out on the other side. The start was a capital one. Volga had the smallest of advantage in a very short lead. Rose was second and Plym third. Commodore Lyon's mount brought up the rear when racing to the back stretch. The same order was maintained opposite the Club Lusitano Stand, and not much of a change was witnessed nearing Bowrington gate. Going strong Strathdallas and Fernie (both Derby contestants) drew level with each other. Volga was leading. A capital race was seen coming down the incline when Reve d'Or Rose took the lead from Volga and Plym successively. Burkill was somewhat confident of the race; but Hayes on the rails put on the spurt and Volga answering splendidly forged ahead and managed to beat Rêve d'Or Rose just at the last lap—an exciting ending to a capital race. Plym was third. This was the order the ponies started. Faiz Ullah was a long distance last.

Time: 2.07 1/5.
Winner: $82.10.
Cash Sweeps: 1st $1,370.25; 2nd $391.50; 3rd $ 97.75.
Pari-mutuel: 1st $6.10; 2nd $6.00; 3rd $13.90.

9.—THE HONGKONG CLUB CUP.—Presented by the members of the Hongkong Club. Second to receive $150; and third $75. For China ponies. Weight for inches as per scale. Griffins allowed 5 lb. Subscription griffins of this season 1908-1909 allowed 10 lb. Winners at this meeting 5 lb. extra. Entrance $15. One mile and a half.

Mr. Buxey's Spring Rose, 11st 1lb...(Burkill) 1
Mr. Dryasdust's Coxcomb, 10st 12lb ..... (Dupree) 2

This race was practically a walk-over for Spring Rose, who led from start to finish.

Time: 3.21.
Winner: $5.00.
Cash Sweeps: 1st $1,258.80; 2nd $419.60.
Pari-mutuel: 1st $5.50.

10.—THE RACING STAKES.—Value $400. Second to receive $150; and third $75. For China ponies. Subscription griffins of this season 1908-1909. Weight for inches as per scale. Winners barred. Unplaced Runners and jockeys who have never had a winning mount in Hongkong, Shanghai or Tientsin

allowed 5 lb. Allowances accumulative. Entrance $10. Five furlongs.

Messrs. Toeg and Speelman's Swan, 11st 1lb .....(Hayes) 1
Admiral Lambton's Kamranh, 10st 10lb † .....(Mackie) 2
Mr. Wayfoong's Constant, 10st 5lb* † .....(Morris) 3
Messrs. R. R. Hynd and A. C. Bynes' Baglh Dua, 11st 1lb* .....(Gegg) 0
Major H. Findlay's Black Sheep; .....(Lyon) 0
Mr. Seth's Little Nemo, 10st 12lb.....(Seth) 0
Mr. F. C. R. Studd's Butcher, 10st 12lb †.....(Scarlett) 0
Mr. Douglas' Bluejack II., 11st 0lb †.....(Hansen) 0
Mr. Olympia's Hippomedon, 10st 12lb .....(Schnorr) 0
Mr. C. H. Ross' Ben Alder, 10st 12lb †.....(Hickmann) 0
Mr. G. Q. Henrique's Grey Back, 10st 10lb †.....(Balderston) 0
Mr. Ottery's Torridge, 10st 12lb .....(Jone) 0
Mr. Christiani's Droschkengaul, 10st 10lb †.....(Pettersen) 0
Mr. J. H. Lewis's Bystander 11st. 1lb.....(Laurence) 0
Mr. H. Humphreys' Mummery 10st 7lb †.....(Humphreys) 0
Hon. Mr. F. H. May's Asteroid 10st 12lb.....(May) 0
Mr. Magpie's Sturdy 11st 1lb .....(Vida) 0
Mr. H. Humphreys' Sir Joseph 11st 1lb.....(Dupree) 0
Mr. Buxey's Killarney Rose 10st 9lb.....(Burkill) 0

* 1lb overweight
† 5lb allowance
‡ 2lb overweight

There was a very large field for the last race of the day; no less than nineteen ponies started. Sir Joseph led for the first quarter of the distance, but was overtaken by Swan who hugged the rails all the way in the home straight and won in capital style from Admiral Lambton's Kamranh, second, with Constant third. Asteroid limped home last.

Time: 1.18 1/5.
Winner: $32.80.
Cash Sweeps: 1st $1,291.50; 2nd $369.00; 3rd $184.50.
Pari-mutuel: 1st 113.40; 2nd $24.40; 3rd $8.20.

A WANDERER'S OBSERVATIONS.

Observations on the weather would naturally come to everyone's mind where the races are concerned. I had the privilege of escorting an American to the races this forenoon, one of those Americans who are willing to learn. And he learned a lot. He had been at the Eclipse and the Derby and he rather frowned upon our own special meeting, but Cæsar talks, the usual *veni, vidi*.

As a matter of fact the weather was dull at the start although it cleared up during the day. Did that prevent the people coming out in their thousands? I don't think.

When I went down this morning in company with a callous gang who thought they owned the car, I felt almost respectable—in fact, and say it again—I was respectable. Long before I saw the place, Mr. Hough was there.

What I want to say right away is this: there must be some marvellous organisation at the head of the Police. They were everywhere; they were polite, and they knew English—those of them who were not Scotsmen.

Referring to the Police, it is proper to compliment Chief Inspector Baker, the Chief Detective, Mr. Hanson, and a few others, whose names escape me at the moment, on the admirable, and did I say before, marvellous order they maintained.

Now before I arrive at the race, I want to say a little word about the tramcars. The man responsible for that system is Mr. Gray Scott, and of course the organiser is always credited with things done by his subordinates. I would just like to say one word in favour of those gentlemen who regulate the cars. It isn't often they get praise. Their work is taken for granted. But Mr. Course and Mr. Glendinning managed those cars in a way that excited the admiration of my American friend. That is praise well deserved, and I cordially endorse every word he said regarding the Police. The only misfortune is that there is no decoration for this kind of work.

Happy Valley—is there any finer place for a race-course? The Clerk of the Course—can you beat him for geniality and obtuseness when the man attempts to wander in *sans* ticket? By this time, nearly everybody knows that "Tommy" is more bluff than anger, but when he is there things seem to go right somehow.

As you can perceive, I am no racing man. All I like is to be in a crowd, with a friend preferably.

Speaking from a detached point of view the stands this year were better than ever. It takes a good man to make a decent ordinary stand, but those there apparently understand the business and the guests were happy accordingly. On the question of stands, is it fair to speak of one or two? Because I would like to dilate upon the conveniences—I don't say comfort, because that is for the ladies to say—but, if you will let me, I have my doots, as the Scotch say.

For example, I tried to get to a stand owned by the great Cheung Pui Kai. Nothing doin'. Then I had a manœuvre to Mr. Ritchie's place. After various vain walks, calling policemen, feeling happy, and so forth, I was directed to the Hon. Mr. Cheung—he was not there, of course. Then I went up to the stand owned by Ritchie and to tell the truth I lost the noble sum of two dollars. At Mr. Cheung Pui Kai's I and I nearly lost a little more, but great caution saved me.

I saw some of the races. For instance, I saw the first, on which I had some money. I lost it. I don't like to say anything against the starters but if I were playing a game of billiards and the marker played pranks there might be a rough house. If that was a start my aunt is a lady.

What I want to say before I finish is the absolutely kind way in which some of the Chinese ladies, who came out of their shell, looked at me. Not only that, but they have, I was going to say, seem to have the real sporting instinct. Without powder or paint, without vaseline or enamel, they are themselves. It is so seldom that a foreigner sees them that he is as a rule embarrassed in their company. But not at the races. Most of them, in colloquial language, are too good to live.

Now, I think it is time that the races were allowed to be run. If only the winner of the big sweep would give me half his winnings—I might be happy. For a while.

SAND.

SELECTIONS FOR TO-MORROW.

"A Reader" sends the following selections for to-morrow's events:—

Jockey Cup:—
Abstainer 1
Kamranh 2
Macscrew 3
Exchange Plate:—
York Rose 1
Celia Rose 2
Heraldic 3
Hongkong Derby:—
Little Gem Rose 1
Missouri 2
Volga or Cattistock 3
German Cup:—
Barry 1
Little Dot Rose 2
China Stakes:—
Seafoam 1
Heraldic 2
Pei-ho 3
Lusitano Cup:—
Snowflake Rose 1
Volga 2
Cattistock 3
Challenge Cup:—
Mr. Buxey's Stable 1
Navy Cup:—
Sir Joesph 1
Tamar 2
Killarney Rose 3
Parsee Cup:—
Rêve d'Or, or Snowflake, Rose 1
Garth 2
Dart (if he starts) 3
Gymkhana Club Cup:—
Earthquake 1
Soudan 2

TO-MORROW'S PROGRAMME.

The programme for to-morrow is as follows:—

SECOND DAY.

1.—THE JOCKEY CUP.—Value $300. Second to receive $150; and third $75. For China ponies, Subscription griffins of any season. To be ridden by Jockeys who have not had more than two winning mounts previous to this meeting in Hongkong or China. Weight for inches as per scale. Winners barred. Entrance $10. Once round.

2.—THE EXCHANGE PLATE.—Value $1,000. Presented by the bankers and exchange brokers of Hongkong. Second to receive $250; and third $100. For China ponies. Weight for inches as per scale. Winners at this meeting of one race 7 lb.; of two or more races 10 lb. extra. Griffins allowed 5 lb. Subscription griffins of this season 1908-1909 alowed 10 lb. Unplaced runners allowed 5 lb. Entrance $15. From the two mile post once round and in.

3.—THE HONGKONG DERBY.—A sweepstakes of $20 each with $1,500 added. For China ponies, *bonâ fide* griffins on date of entry. First Pony to receive 70 per cent. Second 20 per cent.; and third 10 per cent. Weight for inches as per scale. One mile and a half.
Mr. Buxey's blk. Rêve d'Or Rose.
Mr. Buxey's blk. Little Gem Rose.
Mr. Buxey's w. Snowflake Rose.
Mr. Dryasdust's d. Triad.
Messrs. Findlay & Moir's ch. Strathdallas.
Mr. T. S. Forrest's g. Argyll.
Mr. H. J. Gedge's b. Fugitive II.
Mr. Olympia's br. Apollo.
Mr. Olympia's b. Achilles.
Mr. Ottery's g. Dart (late Camphor Tree).
Mr. John Peel's b. Garth.
Mr. John Peel's w. Cattistock.
Mr. John Peel's g. Fernie.
Messrs. Toeg & Speelman's g. Missouri.
Messrs. Toeg & Speelman's g. Volga.
Messrs. Toeg & Speelman's d. Desiré.

4.—THE GERMAN CUP.—Presented by members of the Club Germania. Second to receive $150; and third $75. For China ponies, subscription griffins of this season 1908-1909. Weight for inches as per scale. Entrance $10. One mile and a quarter.

5.—THE CHINA STAKES.—Value $500. Second to receive $150; and Third $75. For China Ponies. Weight for inches as per scale. Winners at this Meeting of one Race 7 lb.; of two or more Races 10 lb. extra. Griffins allowed 5 lb. Subscription Griffins of Seasons 1907-1908 and 1908-1909 that have not won more than one race allowed 10 lb. Entrance $10. Five Furlongs.

6.—THE LUSITANO CUP.—Presented by the Members of the Club Lusitano. For China Ponies, *bonâ fide* Griffins on date of entry. Second to receive $150; and Third $75 Weight for inches as per scale. Subscription Griffins of this Season 1908-1909 allowed 7 lb. extra. Entrance $10. One mile.

7.—THE CHALLENGE CUP.—Value One hundred Guineas. For China Ponies. A forced entry of $10 each, but optional to China Ponies Subscription Griffins of this or previous Seasons. Weight for inches as per scale. To be won two years consecutively by a Pony or Ponies the *bonâ fide* property of the same owner. Winner to receive $500 and 70 per cent., Second $100 and 20 per cent., and Third $50 and 10 per cent. of the Entrance Fees until the Cup is finally won, when the Second Pony will receive 75 per cent., and Third Pony 25 per cent. of the Entrance Fees. One Mile and three quarters.

8.—THE NAVY CUP.—Presented by the Officers of His Majesty's Fleet. Second to receive $150; and Third $75. For China Ponies Subscription Griffins of this Season 1908-1909. Weight for inches as per scale. Winner of the German Cup to lb.; other Winners 7 lb. extra. Entrance $10. From the Two Mile Post Once Round and in.

9.—THE PARSEE CUP.—Presented by the Parsee Community. Value $500. Second to receive $150; and Third $75. For China Ponies *bonâ fide* Griffins on date of entry. Weight for inches as per scale. Winners of one Race 7 lb.; of two or more Races 10 lb. extra. Entrance $10. One Mile and a quarter.

10.—THE GYMKHANA CLUB CUP.—Value £50. Presented by the Members of the Gymkhana Club. Second to receive $150; and Third $75. For all China Ponies that have run at any Gymkhana Meeting or Meetings of the Season 1908 and Subscription Griffins of this Season 1908-1909. Weight 10 st. 8 lb. Winners of any Race other than Races confined to Subscription Griffins 7 lb.; of a Subscription Griffins Race 2 lb. extra. Subscription Griffins of this Season 1908-1909 allowed 7 lb. Winners at this Meeting barred. Jockeys who have never had a winning mount in either Hongkong, Shanghai or Tientsin allowed 5 lb. Entrance $10. Three quarters of a Mile.

HONGKONG & WHAMPOA DOCK CO.

ANNUAL REPORT.

The report of the board of directors of the Hongkong & Whampoa Dock Company, Limited, to the ordinary yearly meeting of shareholders, to be held at the offices of the company, Queen's Buildings, on Monday, the 22nd inst., at 12 o'clock noon reads:—

Gentlemen,—The directors have now to submit to you their report, with a statement of accounts for the half-year ended 31st December, 1908.

The net profit for the six months, after paying interest due and all charges, amounts to		$161,981.53
to which has to be added the balance brought forward from last Account		384,847.24
		$546,828.77
and from this have to be deducted:—		
Directors' fees	$10,000.00	
Auditors' fees	750.00	
		10,750.00
leaving available for appropriation		$636,078.77

The directors recommend that a dividend for the half-year of 8 % or $200,000 be paid to shareholders, that $21,000 be passed to a special account (No. 1 Dock Extension), that $3,000 be written from the value of Cosmopolitan Docks, $25,000 from the floating plant and the balance $387,078.77 be carried to the new account.

The new vessels in hand during the half-year under review were all completed and having passed satisfactory trials were duly accepted; the contract for building a new steel wharf for the Hongkong & Godown Co. is well in hand and most of the material on the ground or in the shops.

We were entrusted with the building of five steel caissons for bridge foundations for the Canton-Kowloon Railway; one was delivered in 1908, and the others are nearly finished.

The only new vessels in hand are two small launches on stock at Cosmopolitan Dock and a launch for harbour use at Kowloon Dock; we have had several inquiries during the year but nothing has so far resulted.

The boiler-shop extension at Kowloon is practically completed with the exception of an overhead electric crane now on order; the other extentions are well advanced.

The dredger has not been employed during the half-year except for a few days on our own account in connection with the new wharf at Kowloon.

DIRECTORS.

The Hon. Mr. Henry Keswick, Mr. A. Fuchs and Mr. G. H. Medhurst having resigned their seats on leaving the Colony, the Hon. Mr. W. J. Gresson, Mr. C. G. R. Brodersen and Mr. Edgar G. Barrett were invited to join the Board in their places and these appointments now require confirmation.

Mr. C. G. R. Brodersen having died, Mr. H. A. Siebs has been invited to fill the vacancy, and his appointment now requires confirmation.

In accordance with clauses 78 and 85 of the articles of the association, Mr. G. Friesland and Mr. D. W. Craddock retire by rotation but offer themselves for re-election.

The Hon. Mr. W. J. Gresson has been elected Chairman for the year 1909.

AUDITORS.

The accounts have been audited by Mr. H. U. Jeffries and Mr. H. Percy Smith, F. C. A. The Directors recommend Messrs. Jeffries and Percy Smith for re-election.

W. J. GRESSON,
Chairman.

Hongkong, 15th February, 1909.

BALANCE SHEET, 31ST DECEMBER, 1908.

Liabilities.

Capital 50,000 shares of $50 each, fully paid up		$1,500,000.00
No. 1 Dock extension account		209,000.00
Marine insurance account		78,106.27
Sundry creditors		1,851,657.83
Balance of profit brought forward from last a/c	384,847.24	
Profit for the half-year ending December 31st, 1908	261,981.53	
		646,828.77
		$5,276,592.87

Assets.

Aberdeen.		
Value of Aberdeen Docks, as per last statement		$100,000.00
Kowloon.		
Value of Kowloon Docks as per last statement	$2,575,820.00	
Less amount since written off	65,810.00	
		2,510,000.00
Amount paid on account of boiler shop extension, boiler smith's shed, shipyard extension, fire engine and wrecking store and additions to yard plant	36,927.00	
		2,546,927.00
No. 1 Dock extension Account.		
Amount paid as per last statement	87,791.78	
Amount expended during six months 1st July to 31st December, 1908	12,445.82	
		100,237.60
Cosmopolitan.		
Value of Cosmopolitan Dock, as per last statement	307,602.95	
Less amount since written off	4,602.95	
		303,000.00
Value of tugs, dredgers, launches and lighters		505,282.89
Sundry debtors		300,879.31
Value of material expended on work in progress	121,171.47	
Value of material on hand	1,298,894.60	
		1,420,266.07
		$5,276,592.87

REVENUE ACCOUNT 31ST DECEMBER, 1908.

To amount paid 6 months reconstructing caisson No. 3 Dock, and repairing docks, slips and buildings after typhoon of July 1908	$	7,991.70
To interest		56,081.63
To crown rent		4,073.05
To fire insurance		5,258.06
To office expenses, salaries, stationery and rent of head office		30,633.44
To telegrams		1,891.80
To legal expenses		252.50
To marine insurance account		10,171.20
To profit		261,981.53
		$378,334.91
By net earnings		$378,334.91
		$378,334.91

Telegrams.

"HONGKONG TELEGRAPH" SERVICE.

SHANGHAI CLUB.

CORNER-STONE LAID TO-DAY.

USUAL ATTENDANCE WHEN SIR PELHAM WARREN APPEARS

[*From Our Own Correspondent.*]

Shanghai, 16th February,

Sir Pelham Warren, the British Consul-General at Shanghai, laid the corner-stone of the new Shanghai Club to-day.

There was a large attendance.

H.E. HSI LIANG.

REFUSES MANCHURIAN VICEROYALTY.

[*By courtesy of the "Sheung Po."*]

Peking, 14th February.

H.E Hsi Liang, Viceroy of the Yunkwei Provinces, has memorialized to the effect that he be not transferred to the Viceroyalty of the Three Eastern Provinces.

The Central Government would not, however, attend to the prayer of the memorialist.

EX-VICEROY SHUM.

PROPOSED RECALL TO OFFICE.

[*By courtesy of the "Sheung Po."*]

Peking, 14th February.

The Grand Councillors, recognising the Prince Regent's desire to have the return of ex-Viceroy Shum to office, propose that, upon the termination of the one hundred days' mourning, he be recalled for re-appointment to an office of State.

GOVERNOR OF HONAN.

DENOUNCED BY A CENSOR.

[*By courtesy of the "Sheung Po."*]

Peking, 14th February.

A Censor has severely denounced the Governor of Honan.

The memorial has been shelved.

CASHIERED OFFICIALS.

NO REINSTATEMENT.

[*By courtesy of the "Sheung Po."*]

Peking, 14th February.

The Prince Regent has a great dislike for office-seekers.

His Highness has disallowed the presentation of memorials in favour of reinstatement into office of cashiered officials.

To-day's Advertisements.

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Hongkong, 16th February, 1909. [188

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E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent.
Hongkong, 16th February, 1909. [4

THE "GEISHA."

LITTLE MITES CHARM NAVAL AND MILITARY REPRESENTATIVES.

Owing to pressure of space, we were unable to publish a report of the private performance of the "Geisha" given by the Portuguese Lilliputians on Saturday night in honour of H. E. Vice-Admiral Sir Hedworth Lambton, K.C.B., the Officers of the British Army and Navy and the Officers of the visiting ship *Patria* in our last issue. To put it briefly, the proceedings on Saturday night did not fall far short of the most cherished traditions of the Scottish race so far as good fellowship and unbounded hospitality are concerned. To say that the production of the pretty musical comedy was a success will not sufficiently convey the idea of the pleasure which the distinguished audience must have undoubtedly felt on Saturday night. This is proved by the numerous encores which were demanded by auditors who were, to take the most charitable view of it, inconsiderate, which was perhaps pardonable. At one time it looked as if the strain on their little throats was really too much for them, but happily, they came out of the ordeal with the highest credit to their youthful ability and to the painstaking efforts of those in whose hands the work of training was entrusted. It would be superfluous to detail each individual performance, as this has already been done before on the occasion of the original production. Suffice it to say that the title-rôle was filled by Miss Camilla Castro with greater success than before, Miss Elfrida Osmund as Mollie Seamore captivated the audience by her charming singing and dancing and Master Henrique Lopes as the money-grabbing Wun Hi kept his hearers in constant merriment by his clever witticisms and his weird dance in the second part was particularly appreciated. The other performers ably supported the principals. A feature of the evening were the allusions to Admiral Lambton and the other Officers present, which highly amused those in the auditorium. During the evening, floral tributes and sweets were many and when the performance concluded, the appreciative audience insisted on repeatedly having a last look at the heroes of the evening, the curtain having to be raised several times before the gathering finally dispersed, with lingering hopes for a repetition of a most enjoyable function.

THE Chinese Engineering and Mining Company, Ld., announces that the total output of the Company's three Mines for the week ending January 30, amounted to 3,705 tons and the sales during the period to 7,885 tons.

THE Prince Regent has sent strict instructions to all the Viceroys and Governors, giving orders that in view of the present difficult times, they should not only do their best to carry out constitutional measures, but also attend to administrative measures, defence, anti-Christian troubles, foreign and financial affairs, and adding that any negligence will be severely dealt with.

IT is reported that China will shortly undertake the construction of harbour works at the ice-free port of Liensbanwan under the superintendence of a British Engineer. A branch line connecting the port with the Imperial Railways of North China will also be constructed for a distance of three miles. The activity of the bean market is disclosing the fact that the pier accommodation and facilities for export at Tairen are inadequate.

IN view of the increasing importance of Hankow as a commercial centre, a number of enterprising Chinese have formulated a scheme to open a Chinese public garden at that port on a similar scale to that of the Chang Su-ho's garden in the settlements. A large site of 12,000 fang, it is reported, has been acquired for Tls. 75,000, and a further capital of Tls. 150,000 is needed to lay it out in buildings, furniture, plants and menagerie. Shares are being issued for the enterprise, which is expected to be a very profitable one.

Intimations.

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

RACE MEETING, 1909.

TO-MORROW (WEDNESDAY), THURSDAY AND SATURDAY (OFF-DAY), 17TH, 18TH AND 20TH FEBRUARY.

TICKETS of ADMISSION to the GRAND STAND and ENCLOSURE may be obtained from Messrs. KELLY & WALSH, LD., or at the Gate. Price $7 for the Meeting (excluding the Off-Day), or $3 per day. Tickets for the Off-Day, $2.

No one admitted without a Ticket to be shown to the Ticket Inspector at the Gate.

T. F. HOUGH,
Clerk of the Course.
Hongkong, 16th February, 1909. [151

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

THE STEWARDS request the pleasure of the presence of the LADIES at the GRAND STAND and the ENCLOSURE during the Races 17th, 18th and 20th inst.

A Stand and Enclosure will be reserved for Members and Members' Wives and Families. Tickets for which are now being sent out with the Members' Tickets.

All Tickets must be produced to gain admission.

Special accommodation will be reserved as in recent years for Chinese Ladies and their Female attendants in the Stand erected on the plot of ground next to the Lusitano Club Stand.

T. F. HOUGH,
Clerk of the Course.
Hongkong, 16th February, 1909 [152

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

NO CHILDREN under the age of 14 years will be admitted into the Enclosure.

T. F. HOUGH,
Clerk of the Course.
Hongkong, 8th February, 1909 [153

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

NO SERVANTS will be allowed inside the ENCLOSURE of the Race Course during the Race day WITHOUT TICKETS which can be had on application to the Undersigned. These Tickets are only available for servants while in attendance on their employers or when on duty at the various Stands.

Any Chinese found loitering about with Servants' passes in their possession, will forfeit them and the holders thereof will be removed from the enclosure.

T. F. HOUGH,
Clerk of the Course.
Hongkong, 8th February, 1909. [154

NOTICE.

THE only Edition of the RACE BOOK and PROGRAMMES authorized by the Stewards of the Jockey Club are those printed by Messrs. NORONHA & CO.

T. F. HOUGH,
Clerk of the Course.
Hongkong, 19th January, 1909. [104

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Hongkong, 29th January, 1909. [131

RACE HOLIDAYS.

THE EXCHANGE BANKS will be CLOSED for the Transaction of PUBLIC BUSINESS at 11.45 A.M. TO-MORROW (WEDNESDAY) and THURSDAY, the 17th and 18th instant respectively.

Hongkong, 16th February, 1909. [165

FIRE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION OF HONGKONG.

RACE HOLIDAYS.

NOTICE is hereby given that FIRE INSURANCE OFFICES will be CLOSED for the Transaction of PUBLIC BUSINESS at 11.45 A.M. TO-MORROW (WEDNESDAY) and THURSDAY, the 17th and 18th instant, respectively.

By Order,
A. R. LOWE,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 15th February, 1909. [176

MARINE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION OF HONGKONG.

NOTICE is hereby given that MARINE INSURANCE OFFICES will be CLOSED for the Transaction of PUBLIC BUSINESS at 11.45 A.M. TO-MORROW (WEDNESDAY) and THURSDAY, the 17th and 18th instant, respectively.

By Order,
A. R. LOWE,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 16th February, 1909. [177

HONGKONG ICE COMPANY, LIMITED.

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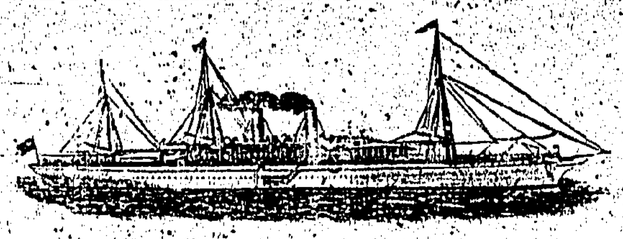

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Hongkong, 16th February, 1909 [8

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Steamship.	Tons.	Captain.	For	Sailing Dates.
RUBI	2540	R. W. Almond	AMOY & MANILA	FRIDAY, 19th Feb., at 5 P.M.
ZAFIRO	2540	R. Rodger	MANILA	SATURDAY, 27th Feb., at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

SHEWAN TOMES & CO.
GENERAL MANAGERS.

Hongkong, 16th February, 1909 [7

Shipping—Steamers.

FOR SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

THE Steamship

"GREGORY APCAR,"

Capt. S. H. Belson, will be despatched for the above Ports on THURSDAY, the 18th inst., at Noon.

This Steamer has Superior Accommodation for Passengers, and is installed throughout with Electric Light and carries a duly certified Doctor.

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DAVID SASSOON & Co., LIMITED,
Agents.

Hongkong, 10th February, 1909. [164

FOR MARSEILLES, LONDON AND ANTWERP.

Taking Cargo on through Bills of Lading to all Ports in the United Kingdom and the Continent.

THE Steamship

"MONTGOMERYSHIRE"

will be despatched as above on or about the 23rd inst.

For Freight etc., apply to
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., LTD.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 3rd February, 1909. [125

REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICE TO NEW YORK,

VIA PORTS AND SUEZ CANAL,
(With Liberty to Call at Malabar Coast.)

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG

FOR NEW YORK:

S.S. "SURUGA".....About 23rd February.

For Freight and further Information, apply to

DODWELL & Co., LIMITED,
Agents.

Hongkong, 28th January, 1909. [126

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.
(Calling at Port Darwin and Queensland Ports, and taking through Cargo to Adelaide, New Zealand, Tasmania, &c.)

THE Steamship

"ALDENHAM,"

Captain St. John George, will be despatched as above on WEDNESDAY, the 3rd March, at Noon.

This well-known Steamer is specially fitted for Passengers, and has a Refrigerating Chamber which ensures the supply of Fresh Provisions, Ice, &c., throughout the voyage.

The Steamer is installed throughout with the Electric Light.

A Stewardess and a duly qualified Surgeon are carried.

N.B.—To assure the additional comfort of passengers the steamers of the Company have electric fans fitted in staterooms.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 12th February, 1909. [178

THE BANK LINE LIMITED.

Taking Cargo on through Bills of Lading to all Overland Common Points in the United States of America and Canada, and also for the principal ports in Mexico, and Central and South America.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG
FOR
VICTORIA, B.C., SEATTLE & TACOMA,
VIA
MOJI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

Steamer	Tons	Captain.	Sailing Date
			1909
Gymeric	4,002	J. C. A. Hall	11th Mar.
Kumaric	6,232	F. S. Cowley	8th April
Inveric	4,789	R. J. Howie	6th May
Suveric	6,232	Shotton	3rd June

These steamers are specially fitted for the carriage of Asiatic Steerage passengers.

PARCEL EXPRESS TO THE UNITED STATES AND CANADA.

For further information, apply to
DODWELL & CO., LIMITED
General Agents.

Queen's Buildings.
Hongkong, 16th February, 1909. [10

STEAM TO CANTON.

THE New Twin Screw Steel Steamers

"KWONG TUNG" ...Capt. H. W. WALKER.
"KWONG SAI" .....Capt. R. S. CROWE.

Leave Hongkong for Canton at 9 every evening, (Saturday excepted).

Leave Canton for Hongkong at 5.30 every evening, (Sunday excepted).

These Fine New Steamers have unexcelled Accommodation for First Class Passengers and are lit throughout by Electricity. Electric Fans in First Class Cabins.

Passage Fare—Single Journey .....$4.
Meals .....$1.25 each

The Company's Wharf is situated in front of the New Western Market, opposite the old Harbour Office.

YUEN ON S.S. CO., LD.,
and
SHIU ON S.S. CO., LD.,
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Hongkong, 3rd Oct., 1908. 15

Shipping—Steamers.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM
FOR
STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, PLYMOUTH AND LONDON.
(Through Bills of Lading issued for BATAVIA, PERSIAN GULF, CONTINENTAL, AMERICAN and SOUTH AFRICAN PORTS.)

THE Steamship

"BRITANNIA,"

Captain S. Barcham, carrying His Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this for BOMBAY, &c., on SATURDAY, the 20th February, at Noon, taking Passengers and Cargo for the above Ports in connection with the Company's S.S. *Moultan*, 10,000 tons, from Colombo, Passengers' accommodation in which vessel is secured before departure from Hong-kong.

Silk and Valuables, all Cargo for France, and Tea for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into the Mail steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London, other Cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed via Bombay by the R.M.S. *Egypt*, due in London on 2nd April, 1909.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 P.M. the day before sailing. The Contents and Value of all Packages are required.

For further Particulars, apply to

E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 6th February, 1909. [4

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.

THE Steamship

"JAPAN,"

Captain I. G. Olifent, will be despatched for the above Ports, on SATURDAY, the 20th February, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DAVID SASSOON & Co., LIMITED,
Agents.

Hongkong, 15th February, 1909 [184

CHARGEURS REUNIS.
(FRENCH STEAMSHIP CO.)

REGULAR FREIGHT SERVICE TO AMERICA.
(CANADA, UNITED STATES, MEXICO, CHILI, RIVER PLATE, BRAZIL).

Connecting at Vancouver with the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY.
OVERLAND Cargo taken for ALL CANADIAN and UNITED STATES POINTS.

THE Steamship

"AMIRAL DUPERRE,"

Captain Martin, will be despatched on or about the 27th inst., for SHANGHAI, JAPAN and SAN FRANCISCO, &c., as above.

S.S. "AMIRAL HAMELIN,

Captain Debonnaire, will leave this port on or about the 20th March.

For further particulars apply to the Agent—
MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

Hongkong, 2nd February, 1909 [58

For Sale.

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY LIMITED.

PORTLAND CEMENT.

In Casks of 375 lbs. net $5.50 per Cask ex Factory.

In Bags of 250 lbs. net $3.45 per Bag ex Factory

SHEWAN TOMES & Co.,
General Managers

Hongkong, 15th August, 1908. 36

FURNITURE WAREHOUSE.

LI KWONG LOONG & CO.,
同公隆興李

CABINET-MAKERS AND ART DECORATORS, from Shanghai, has re-opened their FURNITURE STORE at

No. 39, DES VŒUX ROAD CENTRAL.

The only Shop in Hongkong with this name.

WHERE HIGH-CLASS FURNITURE of every description can be made to order in any design required.

Have been patronised by the Hongkong Club, Hongkong Hotel, Telegraph Co., Messrs. A. S. Watson & Co., Firms and other leading Establishments in the Colony, to whom reference can be made as to the Superior Workmanship and Materials of the Furniture, &c., supplied.

Messrs. A. S. Watson & Co., Ltd., write as follows:—

"We have pleasure in stating that Mr. LI KWONG LOONG furnished the Annexe to our Dispensary and gave us every satisfaction."

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ORDERS punctually attended to, and CHARGES most moderate.

AN INSPECTION INVITED.

Hongkong, 6th August, 1908. 44

HONGKONG AVERAGE MARKET PRICES.

Corrected 12th February, 100 ctt. per $ Max.

BUTCHER MEAT.

	Cents.
Beef sirloin & prime cut—Moi Lung Pa ℔	18
" Corned—Ham Ngau Yuk "	18
" Roast—Shiu " " "	18
" Breast—Ngau Lam "	13
" Soup, Tong Yuk "	15
" Steak—Ngau Yuk Pa "	18
" " Sirloin—Ngau Lau "	28
" Sausages,—Ngau Yuk Chaung "	26
Bullock's Brains— " Know..... per set	10
" Tongue fresh—Ngau Li..... each	50
" " corned—Ham Ngau Li "	58
" Head—Ngau Tau "	80
" Heart—Ngau Sum .....per ℔	12
" Hump, Salt—Ngau Kin "	18
" Feet—Ngau Keok .....each	7
" Kidneys—Ngau Yiu "	10
" Tail—Ngau Mei "	17
" Liver—Ngau Con .....℔	12
" Tripe (undressed)—Ngau To "	7
Calves' Head and Feet—Ngau-chai-tau-kook.....set	$1.00
Mutton Chop—Yeung Pai Kwat .....℔	22
" Leg—Yeung Pei "	22
" Shoulder—Yeung Shau "	20
Pigs' Chitlings—Chi cheong "	12
" Brains—Chi Know.....per set	2
" Feet—Chi Keok "	11
" Fry—Chi Chak "	25
" Head—Chi Tau "	15
" Heart—Chi Sum.....each	8
" Kidneys—Chi Yiu .....pair	7
" Liver—Chi Kon .....℔	24
Pork, Chop—Chi Pai Kwat "	18
" Corned—Ham Chu Yuk "	—
" Leg—Chu Pei "	23
" Fat or Lard—Chu Yau "	17
Sheep's Head and Feet—Yeung Tau Keok .....set	50
" Heart—Yeung Sum.....each	6
" Kidneys—Yeung Yiu "	10
" Liver—Yeung Con.....℔	22
Sucking Pigs, To Order—Chu Chai "	22
Suet Beef—Sang Ngau Yau "	20
" Mutton—Sang Yeung Yau "	24
Veal—Ngau Chai Yuk "	20
" Sausages—Ngau Chai Yuk Tong "	20

POULTRY.

Chicken—Kai Chai .....℔	32
Capons, Large, Small—Sin Kai "	32
Ducks—Ap "	22
Doves—Pan Kau .....each	18
Eggs, Hen—Kai Tan.....per doz.	20
Fowls, Canton—Kai .....℔	34
" Hainan—Hoi Nam Kai "	30
Geese—Ngo "	21
Geese, Wild Shanghai—Sheung Hoi Ye Ngo .....pair	—
Musk Deer—Wong Keng .....each	$3.50
Hare—Tu Chai "	65
Partridge—Cho Khoo "	65
Pheasant—Shan Kai.....pair	$1.80
Pigeons, Canton—Pak Kup .....each	36
" Hoihow—Hoikow Pak Kup "	34
Quail—Um-Chun "	26
Rice Birds—Wo Fa Cheuk .....dozen	—
Snipe—Sa Chui .....each	22
Turkeys, Cock—Fo Kai Kung ... per ℔	69
" Hen— " " Na "	50
Wild Ducks, Shanghai, Sui-ap .....pair	$1.35
Teal, Shanghai, Sui Ap Chai "	60
Wild Ducks Canton—Sang Shing Sui Ap .....per pair	$1.00

FISH.

Barbel—Ka Yu .....℔	10
Bream—Bin Yu "	14
Canton Fresh Water Fish—Hoi Sin Yu "	15
Carp—Li Yu "	20
Catfish—Chik Yu "	12
Codfish—Mun Yu "	14
Crabs—Hai "	20
Cuttle Fish—Muk Yu "	13
Dab—Sa Mang Yu "	15
Dace—Wong Mei Lun "	12
Dog Fish—Tit Tu Sa "	9
Eels, Congor—Hai Man Yu "	15
" Fresh water—Tam Sui Yu "	14
" Yellow—Wong Sin "	28
Frogs—Tien Kai "	32
Garoupa—Sek Pan "	52
Gudgeon—Pak Kup Yu "	12
Herrings—Tao Pak "	22
Halibut—Cheung Kwan Yu "	32
Labrus—Wong Fa Yu "	18
Loach—Wu Yu "	28
Lobsters—Lung Ha "	32
Mackerel—Chi Yu "	18
Monk Fish—Mon Yu "	24
Mullet—Chai Yu "	22
Oysters—Sang Hoo "	20
Parrotfish—Kai Kung Yu "	16
Perch—Tan Loo "	15
Pike—Fa Paw Poong "	9
Plaice—Pan Yu "	18
Pomfret, Black—Hak Chong "	24
Pomfret, White—Pak Chong "	32
Prawns—Ming Ha "	60
Ray—Pei Pa Sa "	9
Rock Fish—Sek Kau Kong "	15
Roach—Chun Yu "	8
Salmon, (Chun) fresh water—Ma Yau Yu "	32

	Cents.
Shark—Sa Yu .....℔	8
Skate—Pa Yu "	10
Shrimps—Ha "	28
Snapper—Lap Yu "	24
Soles—Tat Sa Yu "	28
Tench—Wan Yu "	18
Turbot—Cho How Yu "	24
Turtles, small, fresh water—Keok Yu "	60
White Bait—Ngau Yu Chai "	—

FRUITS.

Almond—Hung Yan.....℔	30
Apples, (California)—Kam San Ping Ko "	28
" (Chefoo)—Tin Chun Ping Ko "	—
" Small—Hoi Tong "	—
" Custard—Fan Lai Chi.....each	—
Bananas, fragrant, Canton—Sang Sheng Heung Chiu .....℔	5
" (Brides), Macao—San Heung Chiu "	6
Chestnuts, Chinese—Foong Lut "	12
Carambola—Yeung Tou "	—
Cocoanuts—Yeh Tsz .....each	10
Grapes—Sin Tai Tsz.....℔	—
Lemons, China—Ning Moong "	7
" Amer.—Kum San Ning Moong "	6
Lichees, Small Stone—Lai Chi Con "	25
" Fresh, Lai Chi "	—
Limes, (Saigon)—Sai Kung Ning Moong .....each	6
Mango, Manila—Lui Sung Mong "	—
Mango, Saigon—Sai Kung Moong "	—
Mangosteens, San Chuk Tsz per 100 "	—
Oranges, Tim Chang .....℔	12
" Small—Tai Kut .....catty	—
" Mandarin—Tim Kut "	—
Olives—Pak Lam .....℔	8
Passion Fruit .....each	—
Pears, (American)—Kam San Shut Li ℔	10
" (Canton), Cooking—Sa Li "	14
" (Shanghai)—Sheung Hoi Li "	18
Peanuts,—Fa Sang "	10
Persimmons, Large,—Hung Chie "	—
Pine-apples, 1st quality—Sheung Poon Ti Paw-law .....each	8
" 2nd cooking—Chung-tang Paw-law "	—
Plantains—Tai Chiu .....℔	3
Plums, Swatow—Hung Lai "	—
Pumelo, Siam—Chim Lo Yau .....each	30
Walnuts, Hop Tou "	12
" Green—Sang Hop Tou "	—
Shanghai Lo Kwat .....℔	—

VEGETABLES, &c.

Artichokes, Shanghai,—Sheung Hoi Ah Chi Chauk .....℔	6
Beans, (French) Macao—Oh Moon Pin Tau "	8
Beans, (French), Shanghai—Sheung Hoi Pin Tau "	8
Beans, Sprout—Ah Choi "	2
Beans, Long—Tau Kok "	—
Beet Root—Hung Choi Tau.....each	2
Brinjals, Green—Cheng Yuen Ker "	4
Brinjals, Red—Hung Ker "	4
Brassica—Pak Choi "	4
Bamboo Shoots—Chook Shun "	3
Cabbage, Chinese, com.—Kai Choy "	3
Cabbage, Red—Kai Lan Tau .....each	10
Cabbage, (Shanghai)—Yeh Choi "	6
Cane Shoots, bunch—Kau Shun "	—
Cauliflower, Large size—Tai Yeh Choi Fa .....each	15
Cauliflower, Medium size—Cheung Yeh Choi-fa .....each	10
Cauliflower, Small size—Sai Yeh Choi-fa "	8
Carrots—Kam Shun "	6
Celery, Chinese—Tong Kan Choy "	4
Celery, English—Yeung Kan Choi "	4
Celery, White—Pak Yeung Kan Choi "	—
Chillies, Dried—Con Lat Chiu "	35
" Red—Hung Fa "	—
" Green—Cheng Lat Chiu "	35
Curry Stuff, English—Ka Lee Choi Liu "	8
Cucumbers—Cheng Kwa "	4
Bitter Squash—Fu Kwa "	12
Garlic—Suen Tau "	8
Ginger, young—Sun Tsz Keung "	16
" old—Lo Keung "	10
Horse Radish, Shanghai—Lik Kan ...℔	15
Indian Corn—Suk Mai .....piece	—
Lettuce—Yeung Sang Choi .....each	1
Water Chesnuts—Ma Tai "	5
" Mandarin—Kwai Lum Ma Tai "	6
Musk Melon "	—
Mushrooms, Fresh—Sang Cho Kho "	—
Onions, Bombay—Yeung Chung Tau "	8
" Green—Sang Chung "	—
" S'hai—Sheung Hoi Chung Tau "	6
" Japan—Yat Poon " "	—
Okroes—Mo Ker "	8
Parsley, English—Yeung Un Sai .....℔	15
Gradus Pea "	8
Green Peas—Cheng Tau "	8
Potatoes, Sweet—Fan Shu "	3
" Shanghai—Sheung Hoi Shu Tsai "	4
" Japan—Yat Poon Shu Tsai "	—
" American—Fa Ki " "	8
" Foochow—Fuk Chau Shu Tsai "	3
" Macao—Oh Moon " "	—
Pumpkin—Toong Kwa "	3
Radish—Hung Lo Pak Tsai .....℔	4
Rhubarb "	—
Shalots—Con Chung Tau "	8
Spinage (Chinese)—Paw Choi "	4
Spinach—Yin Choi "	5
Tomatoes—Fan Ker "	6
Taros—Wu Tau "	4
Turnips, Pun-ti (Long)—Low Pak "	2
" English—Yeung Low Pak, piece	2
Vegetable Marrow—Chit Kwa "	—
Water Cresses—Sai Yeung Choi "	8
" Caltrops—Lan Kok .....℔	—
" Lily Roots—Lin Ngau "	5
Yams—Tai Shu "	8
Sago .....per bundle	—

The prices necessarily vary from day to day, and the Sanitary Board has no power to compel stallholders to sell at the prices quoted.

A. GIBSON,
Secretary Sanitary Board.

JAPAN SUGAR REFINING COMPANY.

READJUSTMENT HOPEFUL.

The *Japan Chronicle* of 4th inst says:—The readjustment of the position of the Dai Nippon Sugar Refining Company has not yet been proposed in any definite form. It is now reported that Baron Shibusawa, Mr. Hayakawa, of the Mitsui Bank, and Mr. Toyokawa, of the Mitsu Bishi Bank, have agreed to take upon themselves the work of readjustment. When they were first asked by the auditors of the company to lend their assistance, these gentlemen agreed to assist the auditors on ascertaining the following points:—(1) The views of the Government on the question of according equal treatment to sugar produced in Formosa and in Japan Proper. (2) Whether the shareholders of the company would be willing to forego a dividend for some years. (3) Whether the creditor banks would allow time for the settlement of money advanced to the company. Now that the outlook for a solution of these questions appears hopeful, the work of readjustment is progressing.

COMMERCIAL.

TO-DAY'S EXCHANGE.

Selling.

London—Bank T.T.	1/9
Do. demand	1/9 1/16
Do. 4 months' sight	1/9 3/16
France—Bank T.T.	2.20½
America—Bank T.T.	42¼
Germany—Bank T.T.	1.79½
India T.T.	131¼
Do. demand	132¼
Shanghai—Bank T.T.	74¼
Singapore—Bank T.T. per H.K. $100	75¼
Japan—Bank T.T.	85¼
Java—Bank T.T.	105¼

Buying.

4 months' sight L/C	1/9 5/16
6 months' sight L/C	1/9 7/16
30 days' sight San Francisco & New York	43¼
4 months' sight do.	44¼
30 days' sight Sydney & Melbourne	1/9 9/16
4 months' sight France	2.25
6 months' sight "	2.27
4 months' sight Germany	1.84
Bar Silver	23¼
Bank of England rate	3 %
Sovereign	11.30

SHIPPING AND MAILS

MAILS DUE.

Canadian (*Empress of India*) 17th inst.
English (*Delta*) 18th inst. 9 a.m.
Indian (*Catherine Apcar*) 19th inst.
German (*Prinz Waldemar*) 3rd prox.

The s.s. *Montrose* left Singapore for Hongkong on 12th inst.

The s.s. *Dacre Castle* left Singapore for Hongkong on 13th inst.

The Ben Line s.s. *Benvenue*, from Middlesbro', Antwerp and London, left Singapore yesterday, for this port.

The N. Y. K. s.s. *Kagoshima Maru*, Bombay Line, left Moji for this port on 14th inst., and is expected here on 19th inst.

The N. Y. K. s.s. *Takasaki Maru*, Bombay Line, left Singapore for this port on 14th inst., and is expected here on 21st inst.

The N. Y. K. s.s. *Hitachi Maru*, European Line, left Singapore for this port on 14th inst., and is expected here on 20th inst.

The N. Y. K. s.s. *Ceylon Maru*, Bombay Line, left Bombay for this port *via* Singapore on 11th inst., and is expected here on 4th prox.

The American & Oriental Line's s.s. *Norman Prince* from New York left Tourane yesterday, and is expected to arrive here on 18th inst., morning.

THE WEATHER.

The following report is from Mr. F. G. Figg, Director of the Hongkong Observatory:—

On the 16th at 11.30 a.—The depression is moving Eastwards to the North of Hokkaido.

The barometer has risen slightly over China, and fallen moderately over Formosa and the Loochoos. A depression will probably develop to the Southward of the latter area.

Pressure is highest over China to the North of the Yangtze.

Moderate to fresh monsoon may be expected in the Formosa Channel and the China Sea.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inches.

FORECAST.

1.—Hongkong and Neighbourhood, N.E. winds, moderate to fresh; fair.

2.—Formosa Channel, N.E. winds, fresh.

3.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Lamocks, same as No. 1.

4.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan, same as No. 1.

Shipping.

Arrivals.

Gregory Apcar, Br. s.s., 2,961, S. H. Belson, 15th Feb.,—Calcutta via Penang and Singapore 9th Feb., Gen.—D. S. & Co., Ld.
Rubi, Br. s.s., 1,619, R. W. Almond, 15th Feb.,—Manila 13th Feb., Gen.—S., T. & Co.
Colombo, Fr. s.s., 2,733, Vegda, 15th Feb.,—Saigon 10th Feb., Gen.—M. M.
Sanuki Maru, Jap. s.s., 3,789, K. Homma, 15th Feb.,—Yokohama 3rd Feb., Gen.—N. Y. K.
Yesan Maru, Jap. s.s., 2,329, Aoki, 15th Feb.,—Kutchinotzu 10th Feb., Coal.—M. B. K.
Haimun, Br. s.s., 636, J. W. Evans, 16th Feb.,—Swatow 15th Feb., Gen.—D., L. & Co.
Yawata Maru, Jap. s.s., 3,816, T. Sekine, 16th Feb.,—Yokohama 6th Feb., Cattle Fish and Fish Oil.—N. Y. K.
Keong Wai, Ger. s.s., 1,115, J. Kohler, 16th Feb.,—Bangkok 7th Feb., Rice and Teakwood.—B. & S.
Kiang Ching, Chi. s.s., 1,227, Udden, 16th Feb.,—Chinkiang 11th Feb., Gen.—Tung Lee.
Achilles, Br. s.s., 4,483, R. C. Thompson, 16th Feb.,—Singapore 9th Feb., Gen.—B. & S.
Banca, Br. s.s., 5,094, C. T. Benton, R.N.R., 16th Feb.,—Singapore 9th Feb., Gen.—P. & O. S. N. Co.
Laertes, Br. s.s., 1,340, D. C. H. Frampton, 16th Feb.,—Saigon 10th Feb., Gen.—Wo Fat Sing.
Spreewald, Ger. transport, 3,300, Lenvsky, 16th Feb.,—Wilhelmshaven 9th Jan., Ballast.—H. A. L.

Clearances at the Harbour Office.

Ischia, for Singapore.
Laisang, for Singapore.
Chiyuen, for Shanghai.
Bujun Maru for Amoy.
Haiching, for Swatow.
Shoshu Maru, for Swatow.
Taming, for Manila.
Hongkong, for Haiphong.
Helene, for Canton.
Siberia, for Shanghai.
Paklat, for Hoihow.
Ariake Maru, for Moji.
Kowloon, for Tsingtau
Achilles, for Shanghai.
Sanuki Maru, for Singapore.
Tjikini, for Saigon.
Rigel, for Manila.

Departures

Feb. 16.

Siberia, for San Francisco.
Polynesien, for Europe.
Tourane, for Shanghai.
Iyo Maru, for Seattle.
Wongkoi, for Swatow.
Chihli, for Hoihow.
Ningpo, for Hongay.
Cathay, for Shanghai.
Ischia, for Bombay.
Seminole, for Moji.
Hailan, for Hoihow.
Jacob Diederichsen, for Hoihow.
Laisang, for Calcutta.
Haiching, for Coast Ports.
Taming, for Manila.
Tjikini, for Saigon.
Hongkong, for Haiphong.
[illegible], for Kutchinotzu.
Chiyuen, for Shanghai.
Kwanglee, for Canton.
Choysang, for Canton.
Linan, for Canton.
Szechuen, for Canton.
Sabine Rickmers, for Canton.

Passengers arrived.

Per *Haitan*, from Swatow—Master May, and 81 Chinese.

Per *Gregory Apcar*, from Calcutta, &c., for Hongkong—Mr. Gilroy, Mr. and Mrs. Wilson and child, Messrs. Thornton, Isaac, Thye Cho n Sen, 835 Chinese, and 2 Japanese.

Per *Rubi*, from Manila—Mrs. J. M. da Rocha and 2 children, Messrs. A. Guttinger, E. Lichanco, P. Miller, A. S. Kempthorne, Hon. E. A. Hewett, G. Gasteine and child, J. Sherman, K. A. James, Mr. and Mrs. Aillanncon, Mr. L. Ellis, Mrs. Goodman, Mrs. Kirkhoven and child, Messrs. J. W. Kouski, H. Kelly, McCormick, G. T. Lloyd and J. W. Bains.

Per *Yawata Maru*, from Japan for Hongkong—Messrs. H. Buist, K. Muranaka and M. Hiyoshi. For Manila—Mr. and Mrs. H. Walters, Lieut.-Colonel Caviglia, Messrs. G. Miyauchi and T. Kanemoto. For Brisbane—Mr. F. W. Brook. For Sydney—Mr. W. B. Bragg.

Per *Sanuki Maru*, from Japan for Hongkong—Messrs. P. J. Benediats, S. Kando, J. Henderson, S. Yamamoto, W. Z. B. Livesey, and Mr., Mrs. and Miss N. Chayes and 4 children. For Marseilles—Major S. Ogawa, Dr. and Mrs. R. J. Bowir, Master T. Bowir, Dr. T. Suguki, Prof. O. Shiskido, Dr. K. Kato, Dr. S. Sugimura, Mr. S. Ohira, Mrs. N. Nishimura, Mr. D. M. Yamagahi, and Dr. S. Kamjo. For London—Messrs. Alexander Morice, S. Takakura and P. W. Scott.

Passengers departed.

Per *Polynesien*, for Saigon—Messrs. Legadec, Devez, Durn and Nishizaki. For Singapore—Messrs. Sia Sun Kin, Léon Boon, Einan, and Mrs. Kelly. For Marseilles—Messrs. Ruinat, Murraclali, Yaswane, Charritte, Menard, Ferrari, Derrien, Vin, Renault, Garcin, Lenclos, Ferrand, Iovinet, Banmann, Sevellec, Pichome, Le Haziff, Urcun, Gamber, Frigue, Francais, and Mrs. J. Millot.

Per *Tourane*, for Shanghai—Mr. and Mrs. Hiri Barress, Mr. and Mrs. Nushbuam, Mr. Koch, Mrs. Roate and child, Mr. David Benjamin, Mrs. Ditsu Caba, Mr. Kourokaua, Mrs. Kowa Matenasto, Mrs. Hannda, Messrs. Visida, Kerdraon, Jean, Mrs. Corucinni, Mrs. Olligre, Mr. Sarina. For Kobe—Mr. Kauamura. For Yokohama—Messrs. Laubil, Faveau, De Leisy, Dexsuzier, Mr. and Mrs. Dupré, Mrs. Duval, Messrs. Mezutani, Hahim, Assaad, Mr. and Mrs. Soulier, Mrs. Woods, Messrs. F. H. Woods, G. R. Fallas, Mr. and Mrs. C. Paini, Mr. Sadeul, Mrs. Perim, and Mr. M. Lechese.

Per *Iyo Maru*, for Seattle, &c.—Lady Wolseley, Mr. T. J. Eldridge and servant, Mr. and Mrs. Fulford, Mr. and Mrs. Ye Kau Shi and 5 children, Mrs. J. J. Woodruff, Mrs. R. Swain, and Mr. W. D. MacLaren.

Shipping Reports.

Str. *Rubi*, from Manila:—Fresh to moderate monsoon.

Str. *Gregory Apcar*, from Singapore to Jalia Shoal, light monsoon and smooth sea; from Jalia Shoal to Gap Rock strong monsoon, with high sea.

VESSELS IN PORT.

STEAMERS.

Bujun Maru, Jap. s.s., 1,304, F. Fuseno, 9th Feb.,—Swatow 8th Feb., Gen.—O. S. K.
Chunsang, Br. s.s., 1,418, W. E. Sawer, 12th Feb.,—Passoaran 1st Feb., Sugar.—J., M. & Co.
China, Am. s.s., 3,186, D. E. Friele, 13th Feb.,—San Francisco 6th Jan., Honolulu 23rd, Yokohama 5th Feb., Kobe 6th, Nagasaki 8th, and Shanghai 10th, Mails and Gen.—P. M. S. S. Co.
Chinhua, Br. s.s., 1,349, A. Harris, 13th Feb.,—Canton 12th Feb., Gen.—B. & S.
Chiyuen, Chi. s.s., 1,177, C. Stewart, 14th Feb.,—Canton 13th Feb., Gen.—C. M. S. N. Co.
Chowtai, Ger. s.s., 1,115, W. Möllerman, 14th Feb.,—Bangkok 4th Feb., Rice.—B. & S.
Clara Jebsen, Ger. s.s., 1,102, J. Bendixen, 10th Feb.,—Saigon 4th Feb., Rice.—J. & Co.
Dakotah, Br. s.s., 2,593, Ross, 21st Dec.,—San Francisco 23rd Nov., Kerosine Oil.—S. O. Co.
Fausang, Br. s.s., 1,410, H. S. Malkins, 6th Feb.,—Saigon 1st Feb., Rice.—J., M. & Co.
Frithjof, Nor. s.s., 891, O. Andersen, 29th Jan.,—Pulo Laut 21st Jan., Coal.—Aagaard, Thoresen & Co.
Germania, Ger. s.s., 1,741, C. Jurgensen, 12th Feb.,—Saigon 5th Feb., Rice.—J. & Co.
Helene, Ger. s.s., 771, J. Jessen, 14th Feb.,—Tourane and Hoihow 13th Feb., Coals and Gen.—J. & Co.
Huichow, Br. s.s., 1,217, E. Forsyth, 9th Feb.,—Samarang 29th Jan., Sugar.—B. & S.
Japan, Br. s.s., 3,806, J. G. Olifant, 11th Feb.,—Moji 6th Feb., Gen.—D. S. & Co., Ld.
Josoki Maru, Jap. s.s., 1,850, K. Hayashi, 5th Feb.,—Moji 30th Jan., Coal.—Ataka & Co.
Kualchow, Br. s.s., 787, G. Hooker, 24th Jan.,—Porbolingo 17th Jan., Sugar.—B. & S.
Kweiyang, Br. s.s., 1,044, M. Dawson, 11th Feb.,—Canton 11th Feb., Gen.—B. & S.
Loosok, Ger. s.s., 1,020, G. Schultzen, 14th Feb.,—Bangkok 4th Feb., and Anghin 6th, Rice.—B. & S.
Loyal, Ger. s.s., 1,237, F. Natzins, 28th Jan.,—Bangkok 17th Jan., Rice, Rice-meal, Timbers and Fish.—S., W. & Co.
Manila, Ger. s.s., 1,108, J. Minssen, 7th Feb.,—Sydney 13th Jan., and Manila 4th Feb., Gen.—M. & Co.
Mausang, Br. s.s., 1,644, G. S. Welgall, 10th Feb.,—Sandakan 4th Feb., Timber and Gen.—J., M. & Co.
Nanchang, Br. s.s., 1,044, G. I. Spinks, 2nd Feb.,—Iloilo 29th Jan., Sugar.—B. & S.
Nikko Maru, Jap. s.s., 3,439, R. Swain, 15th Feb.,—Melbourne and Manila 13th Feb., Gen.—N. Y. K.
Numantia, Ger. s.s., 4,384, H. Feldtmann, 13th Feb.,—Portland, Or. 5th Jan., Flour and Gen.—P. & A. S. S. Co.
Paklat, Ger. s.s., 1,018, Wenzel, 12th Feb.,—Bangkok 4th Feb., Rice.—B. & S.
Raghar, Nor. s.s., 1,220, G. H. Nielsen, 6th Feb.,—from Rajang, Timber.—Aagaard, Thoresen & Co.
Rajaburi, Ger. s.s., 1,189, H. Bremer, 15th Feb.,—Bangkok and Swatow 14th Feb., Rice.—B. & S.
Rajah, Ger. s.s., 2,100, R. Petersen, 12th Feb.,—Bangkok via Anghin 2nd Feb., Rice, Salt and Teakwood.—B. & S.
Roma, Br. s.s., 2,363, W. Storm, 13th Feb.,—Cardiff 23rd Dec., '08, Coal.—Admiralty.
Shinchiu Maru, Jap. s.s., 1,939, Saito, 13th Feb.,—Moji 8th Feb., Coal.—O. S. K.
Shoshu Maru, Jap. s.s., 999, I. Ijichi, 13th Feb.,—Anping 10th Feb., Gen.—O. S. K.
Simoigan, Dut. s.s., 1,200, H. Vos, 14th Feb.,—Sourabaya and Polo Laut 1st Feb., Sugar.—Yuen Fa Hong.
Standard, Nor. s.s., 897, H. Hill, 28th Jan.,—Saigon 22nd Jan., Rice.—Aagaard, Thoresen & Co.
Sultan, Br. s.s., 1,270, L. Howard, 4th Feb.,—Singapore 4th Feb., Sandalwood.—B. & S.
Taiwan, Br. s.s., 1,042, F. C. Everett, 13th Feb.,—Canton 12th Feb., Gen.—Wing Sing.
Tientsin, Br. s.s., 1,227, G. W. Eedy, 15th Feb.,—Sourabaya 21st Jan., and Samarang 2nd Feb., Sugar.—B. & S.

SAILING VESSELS.

Lyndhurst, Br. bark, Farnell, 14th Sept.,—Bangkok 25th Aug., Case Oil.—S. O. Co.

Steamers Expected.

Vessels	From	Agents	Due
Vorwaerts	Singapore	S., W. & Co	Feb 17
Delta	Singapore	P. & O. Co	Feb. 18
Norman Prince	Tourane	A., K. & Co	Feb 18
Flintshire	Singapore	S., T. & Co	Feb 18
Kagoshima M	Moji	N. Y. K.	Feb. 18
Tjibodas	Batavia	J. C. J. L.	Feb. 18
Catherine Apcar	Singapore	D. S. & Co	Feb. 19
Emp. of India	Shanghai	C. P. R. Co	Feb. 20
Manchuria	Japan	P. M. Co.	Feb. 20
Benvenue	Singapore	G., L. & Co	Feb 20
Hitachi Maru	Singapore	N. Y. K.	Feb. 20
Takasaki Maru	Singapore	N. Y. K.	Feb. 21
Kaga Maru	Japan	N. Y. K.	Feb. 22
P. Waldemar	Sydney	M. & Co	Mar. 3
Ceylon Maru	Bombay	N. Y. K.	Mar. 4

CHINA COAST METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

February 15th, 1909, a.m.

		Bar.	Th.	Hu.	Wind		Wr.
Vladivostock	7 a.m.	29 85	12	90	NE	3	b
Nemuro	a.m.	30.08	—	—	E	4	—
Hakodate	"	29 93	—	—	E	4	—
Tokio	"	30.[illegible]	—	—	NW	2	—
Kochi	"	[illegible]	—	—	SW	4	—
Nagasaki	"	30 11	—	—	SW	8	—
Kagoshima	"	30 1[illegible]	—	—	—	0	—
Oshima	"	30 08	—	—	NW	6	—
Naha	"	30.17	—	—	N	4	—
Ishigakijima	"	30 13	—	—	NE	2	—
Bonin Is.	"	30.24	—	—	—	0	—
Chefoo	6 a.m.	[illegible]0.17	26	87	SW	1	b
Weihaiwei	9 a.m	30 20	35	—	W	1	b
Hankow	6 a.m.	30 23	48	85	NE	1	o
Kiukiang	"	30 20	49	93	—	0	o
Shanghai	a.m.	—	—	—	—	—	—
Gutzlaff	"	30.21	47	85	ENE	3	bm
Sharp Peak	"	[illegible]0 21	58	[illegible]	WNW	1	b
Amoy	a.m.	30 16	59	82	NE	1	c
Swatow	"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Taihoku	a.m.	30 19	—	—	—	0	—
Taichu	"	30 18	—	—	—	0	—
Tainan	"	30 14	—	—	N	2	—
Koshun	"	30.14	—	—	N	2	—
Pescadores	"	30.12	—	—	N	4	—
Canton	9 a.m.	30.15	64	78	E	1	c
Hongkong	10 a.m.	30.16	66	77	ESE	2	o
Victoria Peak	"	—	—	—	ESE	4	—
Gap Rock	"	30.12	—	—	E	4	—
Macao	"	30.15	64	—	ENE	1	o
Wuchow	9 a.m.	—	—	—	—	—	—
Hoihow	"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Pakhoi	"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Phulien	8 a.m	30 06	63	—	ENE	3	o
Tourane	"	30 08	73	—	SE	1	c
C. St. James	"	29 98	73	—	NNE	2	f
Aparri	6 a.m.	30.02	—	—	E	0	o
Manila	10 a.m.	30 00	75	84	—	0	o
Legaspi	6 a.m.	29 92	77	—	NE	1	b
Bacolod	9 a.m.	—	—	—	NNE	2	c
Iloilo	"	29.89	80	—	NNE	1	b
Cebu	"	29 92	84	—	N	1	c
Labuan	"	29 88	81	—	—	—	—

February 16th, 1909, a.m.

		Bar.	Th.	Hu.	Wind		Wr.
Vladivostock	7 a.m.	—	—	—	—	—	—
Nemuro	6 a.m	29 65	—	—	S	6	—
Hakodate	"	29 89	—	—	W	8	—
Tokio	"	30.16	—	—	N	2	—
Kochi	"	30.15	—	—	SW	2	—
Nagasaki	"	30.19	—	—	E	4	—
Kagoshima	"	30.19	—	—	N	4	—
Oshima	"	30.12	—	—	S	2	—
Naha	"	30.09	—	—	—	0	—
Ishigakijima	"	30 05	—	—	SE	4	—
Bonin Is.	"	30.16	—	—	—	0	—
Chefoo	6 a.m	30.26	28	100	NW	3	b
Weihaiwei	9 a.m.	30.33	26	—	NW	3	b
Hankow	6 a.m.	30.36	45	84	NE	1	b
Kiukiang	"	30.27	45	92	—	0	b
Shanghai	a.m	30.25	51	72	W	2	b
Gutzlaff	"	30.22	47	85	—	3	cm
Sharp Peak	"	30.22	57	75	NE	5	o
Amoy	6 a.m	30. 0	59	82	NE	1	o
Swatow	"	30 07	57	87	SE	1	o
Taihoku	a.m	30 07	—	—	E	4	—
Taichu	"	30.10	—	—	—	0	—
Tainan	"	30 07	—	—	NE	2	—
Koshun	"	30.05	—	—	—	0	—
Pescadores	"	30 08	—	—	N	4	—
Canton	9 a.m.	30 20	62	89	N	1	o
Hongkong	10 a.m.	30.17	67	85	—	0	of
Victoria Peak	"	—	—	—	NW	1	—
Gap Rock	"	30 13	—	—	NE	2	—
Macao	"	30.20	67	—	NW	1	o
Wuchow	9 a.m.	—	—	—	—	—	—
Hoihow	"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Pakhoi	"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Phulien	8 a.m.	30.15	66	—	NE	2	dh
Tourane	"	30.12	73	—	ESE	2	o
C. St. James	"	29 97	97	—	NE	3	b
Aparri	6 a.m.	30.00	—	—	SE	1	o
Manila	10 a.m.	30 00	82	63	WSW	1	c
Legaspi	6 a.m.	29.94	77	—	NE	1	o
Bacolod	9 a.m.	—	—	—	ENE	3	o
Iloilo		29.91	8[illegible]	—	ENE	4	b
Cebu	"	29 91	79	—	—	0	o
Labuan	"	29.86	81	—	—	—	—

	Feb. 15 at 10 a.m.	Feb. 15 at 4 p.m.
Barometer	30.16	30.03
Temperature	66	65
Humidity	77	79
Rainfall	[illegible]	[illegible]

DOCK RETURNS.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCKS.

H.M.S. Whiting ... at Kowloon Dock
Tarlac ... " " "
Minas de Batan ... " " "
Patria ... " " "
Daylight ... " " "
Mabila ... " " "
H.M.S. Virago ... " Cosmopolitan "
Bujun Maru ... " Aberdeen "

Post Office.

☞ Approximate times of closing mails at Shanghai via Dalny and Siberia.

19th February at 7.45 A.M.
25th " at 8.15 P.M.
5th March at 7.45 A.M.
12th " at 11.45 A.M.
18th " at 8.15 P.M.

A Mail will close for:—

Saigon—Per *Fausang*, 17th Feb., 9 A.M.
Swatow—Per *Haimun*, 17th Feb., 11 A.M.
Nagasaki, Kobe and Yokohama—Per *Nikko Maru*, 17th Feb., 11 A.M.
Macao—Per *Sui Tai*, 17th Feb., 1.15 P.M.
Manila—Per *Rugia*, 17th Feb., 2 P.M.
Kuchinotzu—Per *Yesan Maru*, 17th Feb., 3 P.M.
Shanghai—Per *Chinhua*, 17th Feb., 3 P.M.
Shanghai—Per *Choysang*, 18th Feb., 11 A.M.
Shanghai, Yokohama, Kobe and Moji—Per *Gregory Apcar*, 18th Feb., 11 A.M.
Macao—Per *Sui Tai*, 18th Feb., 1.15 P.M.
Shanghai—Per *Linan*, 18th Feb., 3 P.M.
Moji, Kobe, Yokohama, Honolulu, San Francisco and Portland, Or.—Per *Numantia*, 19th Feb., 10 A.M.
Manila, Port Darwin, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, Hobart, Launceston, New Zealand, Melbourne, Adelaide, Perth and Fremantle—Per *Yawata Maru*, 19th Feb., 11 A.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow—Per *Hailan*, 19th Feb., 11 A.M.
Macao—Per *Sui Tai*, 19th Feb., 1.15 P.M.
Manila—Per *Loongsang*, 19th Feb., 3 P.M.
Amoy and Manila—Per *Rubi*, 19th Feb., 4 P.M.

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HIS BRITANNIC MAJESTY'S SHIPS ON THE CHINA STATION.

NAME.	CLASS.	TONS.	GUNS.	I.H.P.	CAPTAIN.	LAST REPORTED AT
Alacrity	despatch-vessel	700	4	3,000	Commander C. T. K. Fuller	Hongkong
Astraea	cruiser, 2nd class	4,360	10	7,000	Captain F. E. C. Ryan	Shanghai
Bedford	cruiser, 1st class	9,800	14	22,000	Captain S. E. Erskine	Hongkong
Bramble	river gunboat	710	6	900	Lt.-Comdr Hon. R. O. B. Bridgeman	Shanghai
Britomart	river gunboat	710	6	900	Lieut.-Commander F. B. Noble	Shanghai
Cadmus	sloop	1,070	6	1,400	Commander H. L. P. Heard	Shanghai
Cherub	water tank and tug	390	—	300	Master S. West	Hongkong
Clio	sloop	1,070	6	1,400	Commander C. T. Borrett	Hongkong
Fame	torpedo boat destroyer	306	6	5,700	Lieut.-Commander A. L. Grosson	Hongkong
Flora	cruiser, 2nd class	4,360	10	7,000	Captain Rowland Nugent	Hongkong
Handy	torpedo boat destroyer	275	6	4,000	Lieut.-Commander B. J. D. Guy, V.C.	Hongkong
Hart	torpedo boat destroyer	275	6	4,000	Lieut.-Commander Dickens	Canton
Janus	torpedo boat destroyer	280	6	3,900	Lieut.-Commander C. A. Fremantle	Hongkong
Kent	cruiser, 1st class	9,800	14	22,000	Captain G. C. A. Marescaux	Hongkong
King Alfred *	cruiser, 1st class	14,100	18	30,000	Captain Clinton Baker	Hongkong
Kinsha	river gunboat	616	4	1,200	Lieut.-Commander T. J. S. Lyne	Yangtse
Merlin	surveying ship	1,070	6	1,400	Commander F. H. Walter	Hongkong
Monmouth	cruiser, 1st class	9,800	14	22,000	Captain G. W. Smith	Hongkong
Moorhen	river gunboat	180	2	800	Lieut.-Commander C. C. Walcott	Hongkong
Nightingale	river gunboat	85	2	240	Lieut.-Commander R. S. Roy	Yangtse
Otter	torpedo boat destroyer	350	6	6,300	—	Hongkong
Robin	river gunboat	85	2	240	Lieut.-Commander J. White	West River
Sandpiper	river gunboat	85	2	240	Lieut.-Commander H. R. Tickell	West River
Snipe	river gunboat	85	2	240	Lieut.-Commander Alan Dixon	Yangtse
Taku	torpedo boat destroyer	250	6	6,500	Gunner W. Barlow	Hongkong
Tamar	receiving ship	4,650	6	—	Commodore H. Lyon	Hongkong
Teal	river gunboat	180	2	800	Lieut.-Commander H. R. Godfrey	Yangtse
Thistle	river gunboat	710	6	900	Lieut.-Commander H. T. Attlay	Yangtse
Virago	torpedo boat destroyer	355	6	6,300	Commander Stevenson	Hongkong
Waterwitch	surveying ship	620	4	450	Lieut.-Commander H. P. Douglas	Hongkong
Whiting	torpedo boat destroyer	360	6	5,900	Lieut.-Commander J. Kiddle	Hongkong
Widgeon	river gunboat	195	2	800	Lieut.-Commander Jno. F. Knox	Yangtse
Woodcock	river gunboat	150	2	550	Lieut.-Comdr. H. R. V. Cottrell-Dormer	Yangtse
Woodlark	river gunboat	150	2	550	Lieut.-Commander G. R. Livingstone	Yangtse

* Flying Flag of Vice-Admiral the Honourable Sir Hedworth Lambton, K.C.B., Commander-in-Chief.

FRENCH MEN-OF-WAR ON THE CHINA STATION.

NAME.	FLAG AND DESCRIPTION.	TONS.	GUNS.	H. P.	COMMANDING OFFICERS.	LAST REPORTED AT
Alger	2nd class cruiser	4,320	22	5,100	Commander Fournier	Shanghai
Argus	river gunboat	180	6	570	Lieut. d'Estienne	Canton
Bruix	armoured cruiser	4,8[illegible]	16	8,300	Captain Rochas	Shanghai
Décidée	gunboat	63[illegible]	10	900	Lieut. de Linarès	Kobe
D'Entrecasteaux †	1st class armoured cruiser	8,200	26	13,500	Capt. Thibault	Saigon
Olry	river gunboat	170	6	500	Lieut. de Maindreville	Upper Yangtse
Peiho	river gunboat	130	4	280	Lieut. Puech	Tongku
Takiang	steam-launch	—	—	—	—	Upper Yangtse
Vigilante	river gunboat	[illegible]	6	570	Lieut. Eiseuil	Canton

† Flagship of Rear-Admiral Perrin, Commander-in-Chief.

Vipère	Gunboats.	475	—	—	Reserve.	Saigon
Lion	...	500	—	—	...	...
Baionnette	...	170	—	—	...	...
Bouclier	...	140	—	—	...	...
Coronade	...	184	—	—	...	...
Cimeterre	...	140	—	—	...	...
Estoc	...	141	—	—	...	Haiphong
Jacquin	...	200	—	—	...	...
Achéron	armoured gunboat	1,830	8	1,700	Lieut. Bertrand	Saigon
Alouette	gunboat	506	7	400	Commander Badin	Saigon
Comète	gunboat	500	6	500	Capt. L. Gervais	Saigon
Esturgeon	sub-marine	70	—	60	Lieut. Combet	Saigon
Fronde	destroyer	300	7	6,300	—	Saigon
Henri Rivière	river gunboat	150	6	152	—	Haiphong
Lynx	sub-marine	70	—	60	Lieut. Marrs	Saigon
Manch[illegible]	surveying-ship	1,625	10	900	Commander Regot de la Touche	Saigon
Mousq[illegible]	destroyer	300	7	6,300	Commander De la Roche Kerandraon	Saigon
Perle	sub-marine	70	—	60	Lieut. Monnier	Saigon
Pistol[illegible]	destroyer	300	7	7,000	Commander Mortenol	Hongay
Protée	sub-marine	70	—	60	Lieut. Morris	Saigon
Redoutable *	battleship, reserve	9,330	37	6,200	Capt. Drouet	Saigon
Styx	armoured gunboat	1,810	8	1,600	Lieut. Seriot	Saigon
Takou	destroyer	280	6	6,500	In Reserve	Saigon
Vauban	torpedo-depot	—	—	—	Commander Mortenol	Hongay
Vétéran	torpedo-depot	—	—	—	Lieut. Bihel	Cap Saint-Jacques

(*) Flagship of Rear-Admiral Richard-Foy, Commanding the naval [illegible]

SHARE QUOTATIONS.

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STOCKS.	NO. OF SHARES.	VALUE.	PAID UP.	POSITION AS PER LAST REPORT: RESERVE.	POSITION AS PER LAST REPORT: AT WORKING ACCOUNT.	LAST DIVIDEND.	APPROXIMATE RETURN AT PRESENT QUOTATION, BASED ON LAST YEAR'S DIV.	CLOSING QUOTATIONS.
BANKS.								
Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation	120,000	$125	$125	£1,500,000 $14,000,000 $250,000	$2,005,774	Interim of £2 for first half year @ ex 1/9½=$21.942	5½ %	$895 buyers London £86
National Bank of China, Limited	99,925	£7	£6	£4,009 $150,000	$10,223	$2 (London 3/6) for 1903	...	$51
MARINE INSURANCES.								
Canton Insurance Office, Limited	10,000	$250	$50	$1,560,000 $232,757 $411,990	none	$14 for 1907	7½ %	$190 buyers
North China Insurance Company, Limited	10,000	£15	£5	£125,000 Tls. 150,000 Tls. 303,747 Tls. 118,277	Tls. 160,512	Final of 7/6 making 15/- for 1907	5½ %	Tls. 100 buyers
Union Insurance Society of Canton, Limited	12,400	$250	$100	$3,000,000 £90,000 $802,478 £129,695 $727,649	$2,506,011	Final of $15 making $45 for 1906 and interim of $30 for 1907	5½ %	$825 buyers
Yangtsze Insurance Association, Limited	12,000	$100	$60	$1,000,000 $199,032 $85,157	$591,763	$12 and bonus $3 for 1906	8½ %	$187½ sales
FIRE INSURANCES.								
China Fire Insurance Company, Limited	10,000	$100	$20	$1,000,000 $346,097 $13,802	$372,412	$6 and bonus $2 for 1906	7½ %	$106 sales
Hongkong Fire Insurance Company, Limited	8,000	$250	$50	$1,323,941	$428,027	$27 for 1906	8½ %	$332 buyers
SHIPPING.								
China and Manila Steamship Company, Limited	30,000	$25	$25	$7,000	$1,085	$1 for 1906	...	$12 sellers
Douglas Steamship Company, Limited	20,000	$50	$50	$264,638 $99,067	Nil.	$2½ for year ending 30.6.1908	7½ %	$34 buyers
Hongkong, Canton & Macao Steamboat Co., Ld.	80,000	$15	$15	$250,000 $607,100 $79,423 $2,344	$20,279	Final of $1½ making $2½ for 1908	8½ %	$28½ b. ex div.
Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ld. (Preferred) Do. do. (Deferred)	60,000 60,000	£5	£5	£10,000 £240,000	£13,755	6/- for 1907 on Preference shares only @ ex 2/9 11/16=$3.154	5½ %	$38 buyers $18 buyers
Shanghai Tug and Lighter Company, Limited (Preference) Do. (Preference)	200,000 100,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 75,000	Tls. 14,510	Interim of Tls. 3½ for account 1908	7½ % 7 %	Tls. 47½ buyers Tls. 12 buyers
"Shell" Transport and Trading Company, Limited	2,000,000	£1	£1	£720,000 £ 00,000	£63,817	Second interim of 1/- for a/c 1908	6 %	49/- buyers
"Star" Ferry Company, Limited	10,000 10,000	$10 $10	$10 $5	$ 5,000 $47,221	$98	$1.00 $0.50 for year ending 30.4.1908	4 % 8½ %	$23½ $15
Taku Tug and Lighter Company Limited	30,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 58,000 Tls. 420,479 Tls. 70,000 Tls. 81,000 Tls. 12,000	Tls. 6,869	Final of Tls. 2½ making Tls. 5 for 1907	11 %	Tls 45 sales
REFINERIES.								
China Sugar Refining Company, Limited	20,000	$100	$100	$32,538 $450,000 $56,848	Dr. $279,871	$8 for year ending 31.12.06	...	$130 sales
Luzon Sugar Refining Company, Limited	7,000	$100	$100	none	Dr. $135,132	$3 for 1897	...	$17
Perak Sugar Cultivation Company, Limited	7,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 100,000	Tls. 9,173	Tls 3½ for year ending 31.8.08	...	Tls. 10½ buyers
MINING.								
Chinese Engineering and Mining Company, Ld.	1,000,000	£1	£1	£175,000 £12,289	£11,556	Final of 1/6 (coupon No. 11) for year ending 29.2.08	7 %	Tls. 16.55 sellers
Rand Australian Gold Mining Company, Limited	150,000 50,000	£1 18/10 £1	£1	£4,873	Dr. £2,191	No. 12 of 1/-=48 cents	...	$8½ buyers
DOCKS, WHARVES & GODOWNS.								
Fenwick (Geo.) & Co., Limited	18,000	$25	$25	$53,601	$3,726	$1.75 for year ending 31.12.06	...	$12
Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ld.	60,000	$50	$50	$50,000 $26,806 $40,000	$1,556	Final of $1½ making $3½ for 1907	7½ %	$46 buyers
Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company, Ld.	50,000	$50	$50	$76,193 $200,000	$384,847	Interim of $4 for account 1908	8½ %	$92 sellers
Shanghai Dock and Engineering Co., Ld.	55,700	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 1,000,000	Tls. 33,742	Interim of Tls. 2½ for 6 months ending 31st October, 1908	6½ %	Tls. 78 buyers
Shanghai and Hongkew Wharf Company, Limited	36,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 697,257 Tls. 75,000 Tls. 125,000	Tls. 22,626	Interim of Tls. 4 for account 1908	11 %	Tls. 165 buyers
LANDS, HOTELS & BUILDINGS.								
Anglo-French Land Investment Co., Ld.	25,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 25,000	Tls. 6,531	Tls. 6 for 1907	6 %	Tls. 103 buyers
Astor House Hotel Company, Limited (Shanghai)	30,000	$25	$25	$30,000	Dr. $4,200	$2½ for year ending 30.6.07	...	$[illegible] buyers
Central Stores, Limited	50,128	$15	$15	$1,000	$9,178	$1.80 for 1906	...	$16½ buyers
Hongkong Hotel Company, Limited	12,000	$50	$50	$648,975 $22,000	$14,639	Interim of $3 for account 1908	7 %	$90 buyers
Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Co., Ld.	50,000	$100	$100	$250,000	$26,475	Final of $3½ making $7 for 1908	7½ %	$93 buyers
Humphreys Estate & Finance Company, Limited	150,000	$10	$10	211,172 148,261	$5,486	60 cents for 15 8	7 %	$8.65 ex div. sa.
Kowloon Land and Building Company, Limited	6,000	$50	$30	none	$278	$.½ for 19 8	5 %	$30½ ex div.
Shanghai Land Investment Company, Limited	78,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 1,523,045 Tls. 170,000	Tls. 107,547	Interim of Tls. 3 for account 1908	7 %	Tls. 120 sellers
West Point Building Company, Limited	12,500	$50	$50	none	$1 968	Final of $2 making $4 for 1908	9 %	$44 sellers
COTTON MILLS.								
Ewo Cotton Spinning and Weaving Company, Ld.	15,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 150,000 Tls. 45,939	Tls. 8,830	Tls. 5 for year ended 31.10.1908	5½ %	Tls. 90 buyers
Hongkong Cotton Spinning, Weaving and Dyeing Company, Limited	125,000	$10	$10	$20,000	$9 553	50 cents for year ending 31.7.08	5½ %	$9½ buyers
International Cotton Manufacturing Company, Ld.	10,000	Tls. 75	Tls. 75	Tls. 175,000	Tls. 8,372	Tls. 6 for year ended 30.9.06 (8 %)	...	Tls. 74 sales
Laou-kung-mow Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ld.	8,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	none	Tls. 6,308	Tls. 8 for 1906	...	Tls. 78 buyers
Soy Chee Cotton Spinning Company, Limited	2,000	Tls. 500	Tls. 500	Tls. 28,257	Tls. 50,663	Tls. 50 for 1906	...	Tls. 275 sellers
MISCELLANEOUS.								
Bell's Asbestos Eastern Agency, Limited	8,604	12/6	12/6	£1,500	£648	1,10½ per share or 1907=$1.037	11½ %	$9 buyers
China-Borneo Company, Limited	60,000	$12	$12	$25,000	Nil.	$1.20 for 1907	10½ %	$11½ sales
China Light and Power Company, Limited Do. Do. special shares	50,000 50,000	$10 $1	$10 $1	none	61,138	60 cents for year ended 28.2.06	...	$4½ sales and b.
China Provident Loan & Mortgage Company, Ld.	125,000	$10	$10	$ 0 1,000	$5 407	80 cents for 19 8	7½ %	$9.20 ex div. b.
Dairy Farm Company, Limited	49,000	$7½	$6	$10,000 $8,000	$48	$1.30 for year ending 31.7.08	5½ %	$14 buyers
Green Island Cement Company, Limited	400,000	$10	$10	$12,000	$5,078	Interim of 40 cents for account 1908	10 %	$9.70 sellers
H. Price & Company, Limited	12,000	$10	$10	$5,000	$251	75 cents for 9 months ending 31.12.07	8 %	$12 buyers
Hall & Holtz, Limited	21,000	$26	$20	$186,000	$8,957	$2 for year ending 28.2.08	10 %	$23
Hongkong Electric Company, Limited	60,000	$10	$10	none	$9,321	$1 and bonus 20 cts. for year ending 29.2.08	6½ %	$19
Hongkong Ice Company, Limited	5,000	$25	$25	$120,000	$4,578	Interim of $4 for account 1908	8½ %	$220 sellers
Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Company, Ld.	60,000	$10	$10	none	$8,191	Interim of $1 for account 1908	7½ %	$25
Maatschappij tot Mijn-, Bosch- en Landbouwexploitatie in Langkat, Limited	25,000	Gs. 100	Gs. 100	Tls. 547,500 Tls. 27,603	Tls. 17,127	4th Quarterly div. of Tls. 10 and bonus of Tls. 10 making Tls. 50 to date	6 %	Tls. 830 sellers
Peak Tramways Company, Limited	25,000	$10	$10	$5,000	$7,471	80 cents on fully paid shares and 6 cents on $1 paid shares for year ending 30.4.08	6 % 4 %	$14 $2
Peak Tramways Company (new)	50,000	$10	$1	none	Nil.	None	...	$8
Philippine Company, Limited	75,000	$10	$10	Tls. 100,000	Tls. 6,603	Final of Tls. 4 making Tls. 7½ for 1907	6½ %	Tls. 121
Shanghai Gas Company, Limited	24,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 24,820 Tls. 75,000	Tls. 8,493	Final of Tls. 9 making in all Tls. 14 for 1907	11½ %	Tls. 125 sales
Shanghai-Sumatra Tobacco Company, Limited	30,000	Tls. 20	Tls. 20	Tls. 190,000	Tls. 58,112	Final of 37/6 making 52/6 for 1907	...	Tls. 437½ sales
Shanghai Waterworks Company, Limited	16,850	£20	£20	none	Dr. $56,622	None	...	$24
South China Morning Post, Limited	6,000	$25	$25	none	$236	40 cents for year ending 31.5.08	7½ %	$5½ sales
Steam Laundry Company, Limited	20,000	$ 5	$ 5	Tls. 15,295 Tls. 4,000	Tls. 801 $111	Tls. 6½ for year ending 30.4.07 50 cents for 1907	... 5 %	Tls. 94 buyers $10
Tientsin Waterworks Company, Limited	2,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	$35,000	$1,360	80 cents on 9,900 ord. shares and $19.80 on 100 Founders shares for yr. end. 31.5.07	6½ %	$13 buyers
Union Waterboat Company, Limited	50,000	$10	$10	$306,000 $25,000	$6,438	Interim of 30 cents a/c 1908 Final of 30 cts. making 80 cts. for the year ended 30th June, 1906	6½ % ...	$9 sales $4
United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Limited	10,000	$10	$4	none	$3.95			
Watson, (A. S.) & Co., Limited	90,000	$10	$10					
William Powell, Limited	15,000	$7	$7					

* These shares are entitled to half of the profits ...

DIVIDENDS PAYABLE:—

Hongkong & Shanghai B'king Corporation	£2.5/-	February 20th
Shanghai Land Investment Co., Ltd.	Tls. 5	
Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company	$4	" 22nd

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